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1953



Good Luck
Chris Miller

To the ditchdigger of Adeline

Tom
Tobin

2nd a good friend
Patty B

Best of Luck
to a swell
classmate

Ray Hale Dearbrough

John West

Best of Luck
of Mr. Parker
short

Good Luck
Bill Peters
OK.

Best of Luck
Larry
Lee

Let's have fun
chemistry for "54"

Good Luck in
Bowling
Ernest Lawson

"Good Luck"
B. Rittenhouse

Hi
"Bonny Buck"

(To a nut)
(Tony)

Good luck always
Jimmy "M."

Good luck in
school this year.
your nat the one
who will need the
luck. It will be me!
Ruth

We, The Senior Class,

Present

The

1953 Owl

As We Take You On . .

*A
Tour of
Paris*

Dedication



*Hope typing
won't be too
difficult for
you. Dickson*

To you, Miss Dickson, our patient and understanding advisor for the past four years, who gave freely of your time and ability so that our rough road might seem a little smoother, we, the Senior Class of 1953, most humbly dedicate this OWL.

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Moore High School



In 1880, the first public school was opened in Farmer City. It was a combined grade and high school. The principal was Professor Dewhirst. The salaries of the teachers ranged from \$22.50 to \$40.00 per month.

Another school building was built on the present grade school site. In January, 1911, the school was inspected and condemned as unsafe and in February, 1911, it was vacated. During the remainder of the 1910-1911 school year, classes were held in rooms in the K. of P. Hall, Red Men's Hall, I.O.O.F. Hall, M. E. Church, Christian Church, and the M. P. Church.

An architect, Mr. Pillsbury of Bloomington, was hired to build the new grade school on the old site. Another new building was to be built to house the high school.

Mr. Joseph G. Moore and his wife, Sabina, donated a three hundred acre tract of land to the township for the construction of a new high school. Two-hundred-ninety acres of this land were sold, leaving a ten-acre plot for the campus.

Mr. A. W. Stoolman, the builder, laid the cornerstone in 1911. The building was completed in time for the school year of 1912-1913. The school was named Moore Township High School in memory of the donors.

In 1912, four women teachers were employed to teach in the new high school. The principal was Mr. J. E. Demmer. There were eighty students enrolled the first year. The superintendent of schools was Professor Covey.

In 1912, the salaries of teachers had risen to a tremendous \$45.00 to \$120.00 a month.

In 1935, the present gymnasium was erected at the north end of the building. A well-equipped farm shop room took the place of the old gym. Later, a garage was built and after a few years was turned into an industrial arts shop. In 1948, a building was reassembled to house the band, and the agriculture room was also moved into this building leaving the previous room for a cafeteria. All these improvements have helped to make a fine school and attractive campus.

School Board Members



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FRANK MAXWELL
President, Board of Education



ROBERT MULLEN



LYLE NIKLAUS



DON REESER



Principal Lawrence E. Smith and Superintendent J. W. Price

Graduation in the spring, ah! ah! Whether you ever tour Paris or not you have completed a tour of twelve years of schooling in Farmer City. I hope your working together has developed a greater sense of sharing, and that you will be able to accept people whose color and religious background is different from your own; that you will see the time when you will beat the swords into ploughshares, and this nation will learn of war no more.

As I am writing this, prisoners of war are being exchanged in Korea. We are all looking toward peace with all nations.

This little poem by Edwin Markham expresses my wish to all of you. It is entitled, "Out Witted."

He drew a circle that shut me out—
Heretic, rebel, a thing to flout.
But love and I had the wit to win;
We drew a circle that took him in!"

Lawrence E. Smith

Having been asked to write a few words for the 1953 Owl, my thoughts immediately turned to a little poem from which I often quote a couple of lines. Here it is in full, recommended to those young people who will turn many times through the pages of their high school yearbooks. May I suggest that, if you will read it through thoughtfully a few times, it may exert a profound influence on your lives in the years ahead.

MYSELF

I have to live with myself, and so
I want to be fit for myself to know.
I want to be able as days go by,
Always to look myself straight in the eye.
I don't want to stand with the setting sun
And hate myself for the things I've done.

I want to go out with my head erect.
I want to deserve men's respect.
But here in the struggle for fame and pelf,
I want to be able to like myself.
I don't want to look at myself and know
That I am bluster and bluff and empty show.

I never can hide myself from me.
I see what others may never see.
I know what others may never know.
I never can fool myself, and so
Whatever happens, I want to be
Self-respecting and conscious free.

—Author Unknown.

Your superintendent,
J. W. Price

Secretary and Office Help



MRS. MARTHA CURTIS

The office is the heart of the school. Everything of importance is cleared through the office. Here the duplicating machines which are so all important to the school's smooth operation are to be found. Sale of common school supplies, giving of information, keeping of records and lost and found departments all find their place in the office.

The office is very capably run under the supervision of Mrs. Curtis with the aid of the group of students she has picked from the student body. Each student on the office staff donates one free period each day to helping Mrs. Curtis with her office duties. In this way they may gain much practical experience.

Left to right: Arvilla Dawson, Paul Belyea, Virginia Minnie, Barbara Kelley, Louis James, Malinda Murphey, Bill Fogal, Mrs. Martha Curtis, Laura Rittenhouse.





Mary Ceibert
English, Latin
Library
B.A., University
of Saskatchewan,
Canada, M.A.,
University of
Illinois

Lawrence Connolly
English
A.B., University
of Illinois

*Best Wishes
Lawrence & Connolly*

*Best Wishes
Mary Ceibert*



Catherine Carter
Homemaking
B.S., Illinois
State Normal
University,
Blackburn
College,
University
of Colorado



Carmen Covey
Vocal Music
B.S., University
of Illinois,
MacMurray
College



Leo Bray
Mathematics
Science
B.S., Illinois
State Normal
University



Catherine Crago
Seventh Grade
Illinois State
Normal
University



Lawrence Boyle
Eighth Grade
Jr. High Coach
B.S. and M.S.,
Illinois State
Normal
University

Elaine Dickson
Eighth Grade
Seventh Grade
Homemaking
B.S., Southern
Illinois
University



*Best Wishes
Elaine Dickson*



Warren Bonnell
Social Studies
A.B., University
of Illinois

FACU

Phyllis Grosh

Physical Education
Driver Education
B. S., Illinois
State Normal
University

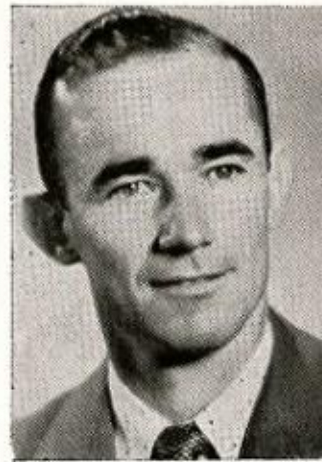
John Maisch

Mathematics
Science
B.S., Northern
Illinois State
Teachers' College
M. Ed., University
of Illinois



John Edwards

Industrial Arts
B.S., Southern
Illinois
University



Arthur Middlested

Instrumental
Music
B.M., Illinois
Wesleyan
University
American
College of
Physical
Education



Paul Durbin

Agriculture
B.S., University
of Illinois,
Illinois
State Normal
University
M.S., University
of Illinois



Ruth Schneider

Seventh Grade
Art
B.S., Illinois
State Normal
University
Illinois Wesleyan
University



June Dickson

Commercial
B.S., Illinois
State Normal
University

Jerry Slack

Boys' Physical
Education
Driver Education
Athletic Coach
B.S., University
of Illinois



Lawrence Smith

Principal
Biology
B.S., Indiana
State Teachers'
College
M.S., University
of Illinois



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Lawrence E. Smith

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First row: Laura Rittenhouse, Wilma Scarbrough, Pat Wheeler,
Maxine Torrence, Virginia Minnie.
Second row: Jerry Hieronymus, Maurice Miller, Leland Junkert,
Ronnie Roop, Gerald White.

Twelve Year Club

Looking back into our twelve years of school, we find that there are ten Seniors who have spent all these years together in Farmer City. They have worked and played together and have created friendships that will last for many years to come.

Now they must part and each go his own way, but there will be many times when their minds will wander back to the many happy hours of their school days together.



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**Class
 Officers**
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Left to right:
 Louis James, Treasurer
 Virginia Minnie, Secretary
 Myron Price, Vice-President
 Bill Fogal, President

Senior Class

First row: Marjorie Connell, Malinda Murphey, Annette Price, Barbara Kuykendall, Pat Wheeler, Elberta Jones.
 Second row: Melva Smith, Laura Rittenhouse, Agnes Wilson, Maxine Torrence, Virginia Minnie, Wilma Scarbrough.
 Third row: Jerry Hieronymus, Maurice Miller, Ronnie Roop, Lonnie Bealor, Louis James, Paul Belyea, Myron Price.
 Fourth row: Leland Junkert, Gerald White, Terry Rockhold, Bob Baumgardner, Charles Ruch, Bill Fogal, Don Stagen.





ROBERT BAUMGARDNER

F.F.A., 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 4; Buttons and Beaus, 4; Newspaper Staff, 2; Owl Staff, Senior Play.



JERALD HIERONYMUS

Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball, 1, 2; "M" Club, 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Council, 4; Visual Aids, 2, 3, 4; Pres., 3; F.F.A., 1, 2, 3, 4; Sentinel, 2; Vice-Pres., 4; Hall Cadet, 2; Glee Club, 2, 3, 4; Senior Play.



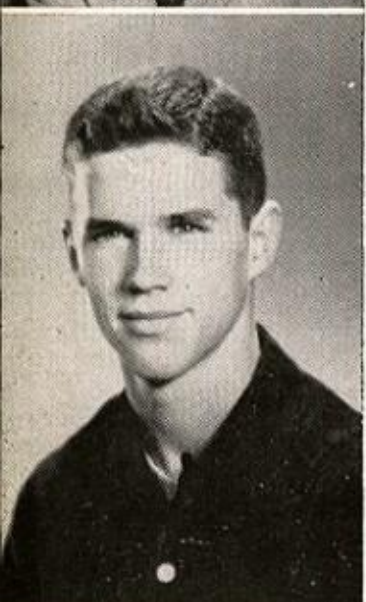
LONNIE BEALOR

Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Track, 3, 4; Baseball, 1; Tennis, 1; "M" Club, 3, 4; I.A., 3, 4; Vice-Pres., 4; Glee Club, 4; A Capella Choir, 2; Buttons and Beaus, 4; Hall Cadet, 4; Senior Play, Owl Staff, Transfer from Bloomington, 3.



LOUIS JAMES

Class Treas., 4; Student Council, 4; Basketball, 2; Football, 4; Visual Aids, 1, 2, 3, 4; Newspaper Staff, 2; Owl Staff, Senior Play, Office Help, 2, 4; Librarian, 2, 3; Boys State, Salutatorian.



PAUL BELYEA

Class Pres., 3; Student Council, 1, 2; Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Co-captain, 4; Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Track, 1, 2, 3; "M" Club, 3, 4; Sec.-Treas., 4; Owl Staff, Band, 1, 2; Glee Club, 3; Office Help, 4; Senior Play, Transfer from Urbana, 3.



ELBERTA JONES

F.H.A., 1, 2, 3; G.A.A., 1, 2, 3; Glee Club, 1, 3, 4; Owl Staff, Transfer from Mansfield, 4.



MARJORIE CONNELL

Glee Club, 3, 4; Girls' Quartette, 3; Owl Staff, Newspaper Staff, 1, 2, 4; Office Help, 3; Librarian, 1, 2.



LELAND JUNKERT

Stunt Show King, Mr. Sophomore, Class Pres., 1; Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Co-Captain, 4; Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Track, 1, 2; Baseball, 1; "M" Club, 2, 3, 4; Pres., 4; Visual Aids, 1, 2, 3, 4; Pres., 2; Newspaper Staff, 2; Owl Staff.



WILLIAM FOGAL

Mr. Junior, Class Pres., 4; Student Council, 4; Glee Club, 4; Newspaper Staff, 2; Owl Staff, Office Help, 2, 4; Hall Cadet, 1; S.A.R. Citizenship Award.



BARBARA KUYKENDALL

Miss Junior, Glee Club, 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls' Quartette, 3; Librarian, 1, 2, 3; Newspaper Staff, 2, 4; Owl Staff.



MAURICE MILLER

Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain, 4; Track, 1, 2, 3, 4; "M" Club, 2, 3, 4; Visual Aids, 1, 2; Newspaper Staff, 2; Owl Staff.

LAURA RITTENHOUSE

F.H.A., 1, 2, 3, 4; Project Chr., 4; Pep Club, 1, 2, 3; Class Sec., 3; G.A.A., 2, 3, 4; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Quartette, 3; Newspaper Staff, 1, 2, 4; Owl Staff, Office Help, 2, 3, 4; Senior Play, Girls State.



VIRGINIA MINNIE

Class Treas., 3; Class Sec., 4; G.A.A., 2, 3, 4; Point Recorder, 4; Pep Club, 1, 2, 3; Vice-Pres., 3; Newspaper Staff, 1, 2, 4; Owl Staff, Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Woodwind Ensemble, 1, 2, 3; Glee Club, 1, 2, 3, 4; Pres., 3; Girls' Sextet, 2, 3; Office Help, 4.

TERRY ROCKHOLD

Football, 2, 3, 4; Track, 2, 3, 4; "M" Club, 2, 3, 4; I.A., 2, 4; Newspaper Staff, 2; Owl Staff.



MALINDA MURPHEY

F.H.A., 1, 2, 3, 4; Historian, 2; Vice-Pres., 4; G.A.A., 2, 3, 4; Pres., 4; Pep Club, 1, 2, 3; Cheerleader, 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain, 4; Glee Club, 1, 2, 4; Office Help, 3, 4; Newspaper Staff, 2, 4; Owl Staff, Senior Play.

RONALD ROOP

Football, 1, 2, 3; Basketball, 2, 4; "M" Club, 3, 4; Visual Aids, 1, 2, 3, 4; Sec., 3; F.F.A., 1, 2, 3, 4; Treas., 4; Newspaper Staff, 2; Owl Staff.

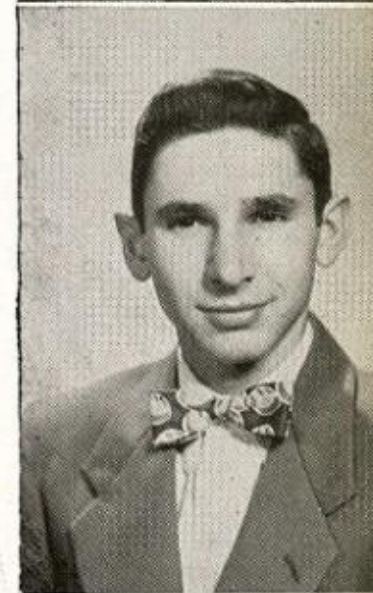


ANNETTE PRICE

Stunt Show Queen, Class Pres., 2; Student Council, 4; Pres., 4; F.H.A., 1, 2, 3, 4; Treas., 2; Vice-Pres., 3; Pres., 4; G.A.A., 2, 3, 4; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Clarinet Quartette, 3; Woodwind Ensemble, 4; Glee Club, 1, 2, 3, 4; Sec., 3; Girls' Sextet, 2, 3; Buttons and Beaus, 4; Newspaper Staff, Owl Staff, D.A.R. Citizenship Award, Valedictorian.

CHARLES RUCH

Mr. Senior; Football, 2, 3, 4; F.F.A., 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 4; Buttons and Beaus, 4; Newspaper Staff, 4; Owl Staff.



MYRON PRICE

Class Sec.-Treas., 1, 2; Class Vice-Pres., 3, 4; Student Council, 3, 4; Football, 2, 3; Track, 3; Visual Aids, 1, 2; I.A., 2, 3, 4; Newspaper Staff, 2; Owl Staff, Glee Club, 4; Buttons and Beaus, 4; Band, 1; Hall Cadet, 2, 3, 4; Senior Play.

WILMA SCARBROUGH

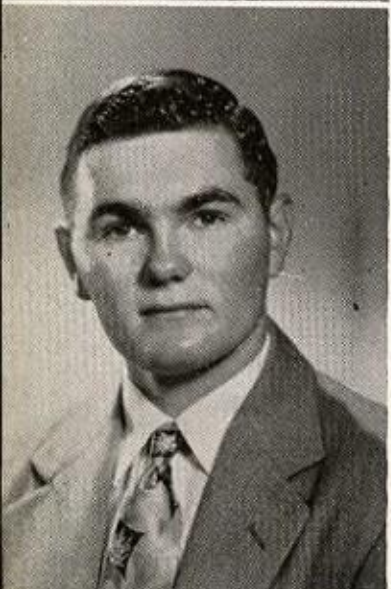
Miss Freshman, Newspaper Staff, 1, 2, 4; Owl Staff, Librarian, 1, 2; Glee Club, 3, 4; Girls' Quartette, 3; Senior Play.





MELVA SMITH

Student Council, 4; F.H.A., 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A., 2, 3, 4; Pep Club, 1, 2; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Woodwind Ensemble, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1, 4; Newspaper Staff, 2, 4; Owl Staff, Senior Play.



DONALD STAGEN

Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball, 2, 3, 4; Track, 2; "M" Club, 3, 4; Visual Aids, 1, 2, 3, 4; F.F.A., 1, 2, 3, 4; Newspaper Staff, 2; Owl Staff; Hall Cadet, 2, 4.



MAXINE TORRENCE

Glee Club, 1, 4; Newspaper Staff, 1, 2; Owl Staff, 4.



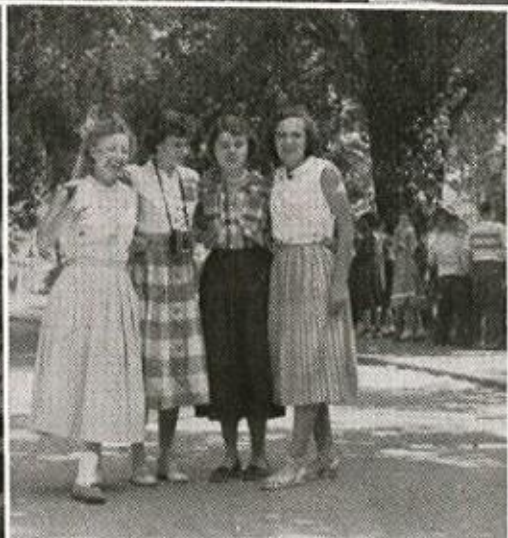
PATRICIA WHEELER

Miss Senior, F.H.A., 1, 2, 3; Glee Club, 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls' Quartette, 3; Newspaper Staff, 2, 4; Owl Staff; Hall Cadet, 3; Librarian, 1, 2, 3.



AGNES WILSON

F.H.A., 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A., 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1, 2, 3, 4; Owl Staff, Transfer from Deland-Weldon, 3.



Class History

In the fall of 1949 the class of 1953 entered Moore High with thirty-five timid Freshies. Miss Dickson acted as class adviser. The following officers were elected: Leland Junkert, President; Gerald White, Vice-President; Myron Price, Secretary-Treasurer; Dan Trenkle, Student Council representative.

The first thing for all Freshies is initiation. The big day finally arrived and the girls appeared in gunny sacks with their hair in rags. The boys wore dresses and carried dolls. Chants of "I'm a green Freshman," rang through the building.

The Freshmen placed fifth in the Homecoming parade with their float, "Overboard with Anchor." The class presented "Was It a Dream?" for their skit at the Stunt Show. They won second place. Wilma Scarbrough and Gerald White were Mr. and Miss Freshman.

The class entered their Sophomore year with thirty-six members. Annette Price was class President; Gerald White, Vice-President; Myron Price, Secretary-Treasurer; Dan Trenkle, Student Council member. The class again placed fifth in the Homecoming parade with their float "Behind the Eight Ball."

The Sophomores were bursting with pride after capturing first place with their stunt "Happy Family?", the story of a girl and her six brothers. Leland Junkert and Mattie Dodd were elected Mr. and Miss Sophomore.

The class entered their Junior year with only twenty-nine members and many problems ahead. They elected Paul Belyea, President; Myron Price, Vice-President; Laura Rittenhouse, Secretary; Virginia Minnie, Treasurer; Wesley Witt, Student Council representative. Miss June Dickson and Mr. Lawrence Stone were the class advisers. Once again they received fifth place in the Homecoming parade with their float, "We're Pulling for Victory."

The Juniors presented a very successful Stunt Show in November. Their court room scene, "There Just Ain't No Justice," won third place. Jim Henderson and His Top-Hatters played for the coronation and dance. Barbara Kuykendall and Bill Fogal were Mr. and Miss Junior.

"An Evening In Paris" was the theme of the Junior-Senior Prom presented by the Juniors on May 16. Tod Howard and his orchestra played for the dance.

Upon entering their Senior year, the class of 1953 elected Bill Fogal as class President; Myron Price, Vice-President; Virginia Minnie, Secretary; Louis James, Treasurer. Annette Price, Bill Fogal, and Louis James were the Student Council representatives. Miss June Dickson and Mr. Lawrence Connolly were the class advisers. "We'll Bail Heyworth" was their float entry in the Homecoming Parade. Once again the class placed first in the Annual Stunt Show with the stunt "Cinema Cyclone," which dramatized the problems of a movie producer during the production of a movie.

King Leland Junkert and Queen Annette Price were elected by the student body to reign over the 1952 Stunt Show. Mr. and Miss Senior were Charles Ruch and Pat Wheeler.

1953 CLASS WILL

Now having completed our high school educations, We, the Class of 1953, wish to leave a few of our talents and habits to our high school. This is our Will to you, the underclassmen of Moore High School.

- I, Robert Baumgardner, bequeath the rest of my days to Roberta Jones.
- I, Lonnie Bealor, bequeath my football long underwear to Harold Sosoman.
- I, Paul Belyea, bequeath my ability to sit on the bench to Don Goodall.
- I, Marjorie Connell, bequeath my ability to get out of school on Wednesday afternoons to Betty Hoffman.
- I, Bill Fogal, bequeath my beautiful singing to Fred Peters.
- I, Jerry Hieronymus, bequeath my vast strength to Don Taylor.
- I, Louis James, bequeath my crumby dressing habits to Jim Ruchman.
- I, Elberta Jones, bequeath my ability in mathematics to the 5th hour mathematics class.
- I, Leland Junkert, bequeath my ability to get into trouble with the Coach to Larry Welton.
- I, Barbara Kuykendall, bequeath my seat in 7th hour study hall to Shirley Wheeler.
- I, Maurice Miller, bequeath my ability to puff on cigarettes to Wayne Williams.
- I, Virginia Minnie, bequeath my ability to knit argyles to Jean Price.
- I, Malinda Murphey, bequeath my numerous hair styles to Nancy Shaw.
- I, Annette Price, bequeath my giggles to Mary Jean Smith.
- I, Myron Price, bequeath my "pull in the office" to anyone who needs it.
- I, Laura Rittenhouse, bequeath my secretarial ability to Jean Koontz.
- I, Terry Rockhold, bequeath my interest in the suburbs of Farmer City to David Elmore.
- I, Ronald Roop, bequeath my table at Walt's to anyone who can afford it.
- I, Charles Ruch, bequeath my ability to keep money without spending it to Bill Rittenhouse.
- I, Wilma Scarbrough, bequeath all my unexcused absences to Dorothy DeVault.
- I, Melva Smith, bequeath my thrilling romances with Dick Reynolds to Frances Wheeler.
- I, Donald Stagen, bequeath all Mr. Bray's long assignments to next year's mathematics classes.
- I, Maxine Torrence, bequeath my place in the cafeteria to anyone who wants it.
- I, Patricia Wheeler, bequeath my ability to get a Mansfield boy to Lois Walker.
- I, Agnes Wilson, bequeath my long black hair to Mr. Connolly.

PROPHECY

Where will the members of the Class of 1953 be fifteen years from now and what will they be doing? This would be a very difficult question to answer but here we find a fortune teller's prophecy of the future of the graduates of 1953.

- Robert Baumgardner has just won the 500 mile Indianapolis hot rod race.
- Lonnie Bealor has at last found a job that fits him just fine. He doesn't have to arrive at work until noon.
- Paul Belyea is still trying to prove that all ministers' sons are not mischievous.
- Marjorie Connell is now running her own allergy clinic.
- Bill Fogal is the circulation manager for Bush Candy Company.
- Jerry Hieronymus has been promoted to chief butcher for Armour Meat Company.
- Dr. Louis Fitz Henry James, the world renowned physicist, is still trying to put split atoms back together.
- Elberta Jones is the new receptionist at the Rockhold Lovelorn Agency.
- Leland Junkert has replaced Tony Curtis in Hollywood.
- Barbara Kuykendall is manager of the snack bar at Robesons in Champaign.
- Virginia Minnie is teaching a new business course at University of Illinois entitled "The Importance of Signing Letters Before Mailing Them."
- Malinda Murphey is raising little "hotshots" of the Hooser variety.
- Maurice Miller is running for governor on the Democratic ticket with the motto "Harry was a good fellow."
- Annette Price just published her new book, "Laugh and Grow Slim."
- Myron Price is trying to develop a glue to help Dr. James put his atom back together.
- Laura Rittenhouse is the director of business education in the Chicago schools.
- Terry Rockhold has opened an agency for "lovelorns."
- Ronald Roop is practicing at Walt's for his title match with Willie Hoppe.
- Charles Ruch is the chief grease-monkey for Bob Baumgardner's hot-rod.
- Wilma Scarbrough is still playing the lead opposite Lonnie Bealor in many Hollywood productions.
- Melva Smith is now the top model for Powers Modeling Agency.
- Donald Stagen and Mary are living happily on their ranch in Texas.
- Maxine Torrence is chief typist at State Farm Insurance Company in Bloomington.
- Pat Wheeler is the S'mother of three children.
- Agnes Wilson still breaks out in laughter at the sight of Mr. Connolly.

Classification

NAME	NICKNAME	FAVORITE SAYING	WEAKNESS	AMBITION
Robert Baumgardner	Cleek	That's Debatable	Women	Hot-Rod Driver
Lonnie Bealor	Lon	If all is fair in Love, where do I come in?	Going to school	Enjoy life.
Paul Belyea	Ballyea	My Buddy!	Little kids.	Have a family.
Marjorie Connell	Margie	What'd you say?	Shots	Be a teacher.
William Fogal	Bill	You're laughing alone	Getting up	Be a farmer.
Jerald Hieronymus	Jiggs	Can't you keep your mouth shut, Pedro?	Crying babies	Be a bum.
Louis James	Luigi	My Buddy!	My love of power.	To be extremely wealthy.
Elberta Jones	Bert	You'll kill every darn one of us!	Temper	Get married.
Leland Junkert	Yunk	Get your stick!	Temper	Beat Willie Hoppe.
Barbara Kuykendall	Barb	I don't know.	Aaron	To be rich.
Maurice Miller	Pedo	Hey, Jiggs.	Jigg's car.	Go to California.
Virginia Minnie	Ginnie	Oh, for cripes sake!	Clothes	Be a \$100 a week secretary.
Malinda Murphey	Murph	With any luck!	Dick	Be a Home Ec. teacher and get married.
Annette Price	Nettie	No fooling?	Giggles	Be an elementary teacher.
Myron Price	Mike	My Buddy!	8:25 a.m.	No ambition.
Laura Rittenhouse	Frankie	Oh, man!	Sisters	Be a housewife.
Terry Rockhold	Clarance	Hemo-von-snobolsnuble	Cards	Be father of five boys.
Ronald Roop	Ron	It's not for dink.	Women	Be a pool shark.
Charles Ruch	Chuck	Why heavens, yes.	Dirty cars	Be a farmer.
Wilma Scarbrough	Wilma	How's that?	Dimples	To grow up.
Melva Smith	Smitty	Oh, shoot!	Jiggs	Be a secretary.
Donald Stagen	Donnie	Too bad.	Trigonometry	Be a farmer.
Maxine Torrence	Maxs	Sugar	Blue	To be a bookkeeper.
Patricia Wheeler	Weed	Oh, Gad!	Warren	Be a secretary.
Agnes Wilson	Aggie	Gads!	Long hair	Be a nurse.



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**Class
 Officers**
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Left to right: Carolyn Hieronymus, Treasurer; Shirley Wheeler, President, Jerry Rau, Vice-President; Doris Shaffer, Secretary.

Junior Class

In September 1950, sixty green, inexperienced and timid Freshmen entered the doors of Moore High School. Each member was "cordially" welcomed by upper classmen on initiation day. The boys wore long underwear, onions around their necks, marshmallows on their shoes and their hair in curlers. The girls (also appropriately dressed) were clad in pajamas and housecoats and carried dolls. Their float entry in the Homecoming Parade was "Stack 'Em, Stuff 'Em In, Roll 'Em Over." The Freshmen entered the Annual Stunt Show with the stunt "Tickets Please" and ran away with the honors—third place. Shirley Wheeler and Jerry Rau were the Freshmen attendants to the King and Queen. The class officers were: President, Rex Crago; Vice-President, Joan Leemon; Secretary, Don Taylor; Treasurer, Don Goodall; Student Council, Lois Walker. Miss Joy Ann Price was the class adviser. A party ended the school year on May 11, 1951.

As sophomores they entered another year under the direction of Miss Joy Ann Price. "We Haven't Finished This, But We Will Unity" was the title of the Sophomore float which placed second in the Homecoming parade. The Sophomore stunt, "Grandmother's Final Victory" didn't do so well, as it placed fourth. Lois Walker and Robert Reynolds were Miss and Mr. Sophomore. Sophomore class officers were: President, Carolyn Hieronymus; Vice-President, Shirley Wheeler; Secretary, Jessie Mae Warren; Treasurer, Lois Walker; Student Council, Joan Leemon. A trip to Turkey Run, Indiana, ended the school year.

The fall of 1952 proved to be the beginning of a busy year for the Juniors. After class elections: President, Shirley Wheeler; Vice-President, Jerry Rau; Secretary, Doris Shaffer; Treasurer, Carolyn Hieronymus; Student Council, Shirley Wheeler and Arvilla Dawson, plans began to progress for the year's schedule. "We're Expecting a Victory" was the title of the Homecoming float which copped second place honors. Through the able assistance of the class advisors, Miss Catherine Carter and Mr. Paul Durbin, the 1952 Stunt Show proved to be a success. The Junior Stunt "Acid and Old Lace" wasn't quite as good, as it took fourth place. Joan Leemon and Don Taylor were Miss and Mr. Sophomore. Enjoyable dancing throughout the evening was provided by Bob Norman's Orchestra. On May 17 the Juniors presented the annual prom, "Gay Fiesta," for the Seniors. Todd Howard and his orchestra played for the dance following the banquet.



First row: John Johnson, Larry Welton.
 Second row: Linda Harder, Joan Leemon, Richard Sprague, Jean Koontz, Dorene Clark.
 Third row: Susanne Flint, Rex Crago, Sara Maxwell, Arvilla Dawson, Jean Price.
 Fourth row: Norma Scarbrough, Mariam Meredith, Carolyn Hieronymus, Jim Hammer, Dick Oakley.
 Fifth row: Don Goodall, Jim Ruckman, Jim Reynolds, Roberta Jones.

First row: Larry Thomas, Darrell LaMonte.
 Second row: Betty Hoffman, Dorothy West, Shirley Wheeler, Phyllis Turpin, Dick Workman.
 Third row: Don Taylor, Eldon Lamb, John Thomas, Francis Harder, Wayne Williams, Bill Wells.
 Fourth row: Robert Reynolds, Jerry Rau, Harold Sosamon, Doris Shaffer, Lois Walker.
 Fifth row: Jessie Mae Warren, Sally Pierce, Nancy Simpson.







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**Class
 Officers**



Left to right: Norma Lohmeyer, Vice-President; Weldon Fogal, President; Sylvia Savage, Secretary; Delmar Thom, Treasurer.

Sophomore Class

In the fall of 1951 the class of 1955 entered Moore High School. They elected the following as their class officers: President, Weldon Fogal; Vice-President, Tom Tobin; Secretary-Treasurer, Delmar Thom; and Student Council representatives, David Elmore and Tom Tobin. Mr. Middlested was their class advisor.

The Freshman Initiation Party was held in the gym on November 24. A group of upperclassmen was on hand to act as a grand jury. Each Freshie was tried and sentenced. After the sentences were all carried out the entire student body entered into group games, after which sandwiches and cokes were enjoyed by all.

This group of green Freshmen proved to be "not so green" when Stunt Show rolled around. The judges put their "Ragtime Wedding" in first place. This skit was a wedding set to music. Mary Beasley played the part of the bride and Weldon Fogal was the rollicking sailor groom. The minister was David Elmore.

The class elected Mary Beasley and Weldon Fogal as Mr. and Miss Freshman.



First row: Fred Reynolds, Phil King, Robert Ratcliffe, Don Owens.

Second row: Opal Foulks, Barbara Marvin, Barbara Kelley, Leslie Parker, Oris Miller.

Third row: Ruth Ann McIntyre, Don Marvin, Kristen Lawson, Norma Lohmeyer, Bill Peters.

At the first meeting of their Sophomore year the following officers were elected: President, Weldon Fogal; Vice-President, Norma Lohmeyer; Secretary, Sylvia Savage; Treasurer, Delmar Thom; Student Council representatives, Mary Kathryn Seifert and Norma Lohmeyer. The class advisers were Mr. John Maisch and Mr. Arthur Middlested.

The Sophomores placed third in the Homecoming parade with their float "We'll Upset the Hornets' Nest." When the class presented their stunt "Quack, Quack" at the 1952 Stunt Show the judges decision wasn't quite as pleasant as it had been their Freshman year, for they had slipped from first to fourth place.

Larry Gee and Sylvia Savage were Mr. and Miss Sophomore of the Stunt Show royalty.



First row: Frank Workman, Delmar Thom, Mary Scarbrough, Ruby Wilson, Linda Stagen.

Second row: Fred Wickenhouser, Jerry Wright, Carl Swallow, Tom Tobin, Roy Dale Scarbrough, Mary Lou Wells, Sylvia Savage.

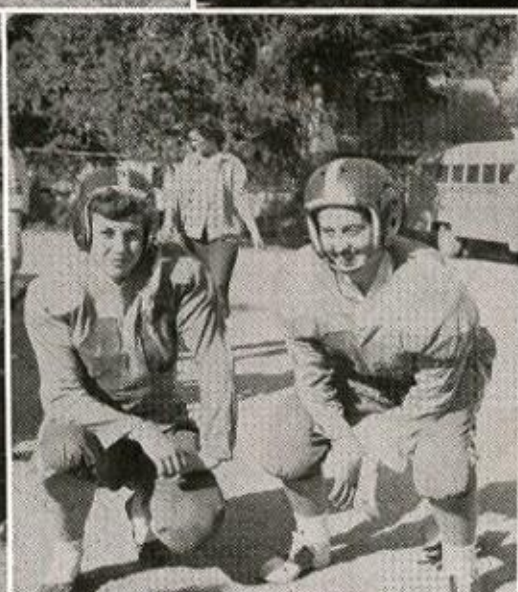
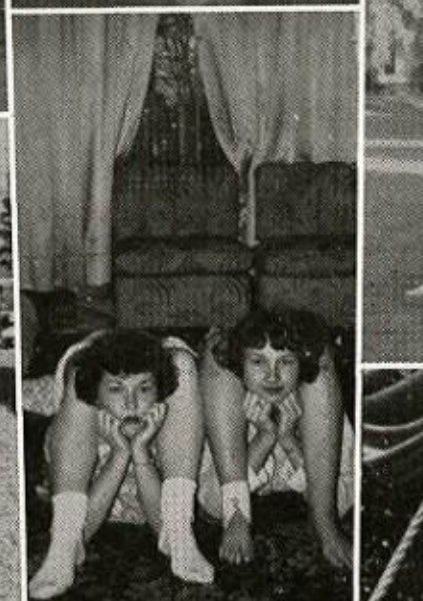
Third row: Mary Kathryn Seifert, Virginia Sprague, Frances Taylor, Dorothy Stiles.

First row: Kent Durbin, Weldon Fogal, Janet Hoffman, Phyllis Holman, John Corder, Dick Hedges, Pat Hester.

Second row: Tom Healea, Larry Hoffman, Norman Emmerson, Larry Gee.

Third row: Pat Brannock, Dorothy DeVault, Mary Beasley, Phillip Dolbert, Dave Frederickson, David Elmore.







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***Class
Officers***



Left to right: John West, President; Lyndon Short, Vice-President; Joyce Hendren, Treasurer; George Engel, Secretary.

Freshman Class

The class of 1956 entered their Freshman year with fifty-six members. At their first class meeting of the year the class officers were elected—President, John West; Vice-President, Lyndon Short; Secretary, George Engel; Treasurer, Joyce Hendren. The Student Council representatives were Frances Wheeler and Dick Reynolds. Mr. Leo Bray and Mr. Jerry Slack were the class advisers.

The Freshmen Initiation Party was held on October 10. All the Freshmen appeared in diapers (over their blue jeans). Solos, duets, proposals and relay races were part of the initiation. Following the initiation and group games, refreshments of apple cider and doughnuts were served.

The Freshmen won fifth place in the Homecoming parade with their float "We'll Win In A Big Weigh." The class placed second in the annual Stunt Show. Their stunt was "Diaries Tell No Lies." Beverly Cadle played the part of the mother, Frances Wheeler was the little girl, Jane Reynolds portrayed the part of the big sister and Dixie Owens was the fairy.

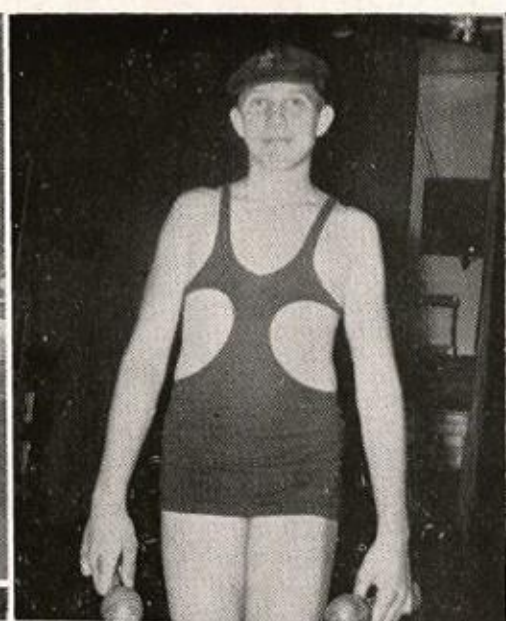
Frances Wheeler and Dick Reynolds were Miss and Mr. Freshman in the annual coronation of the King and Queen.

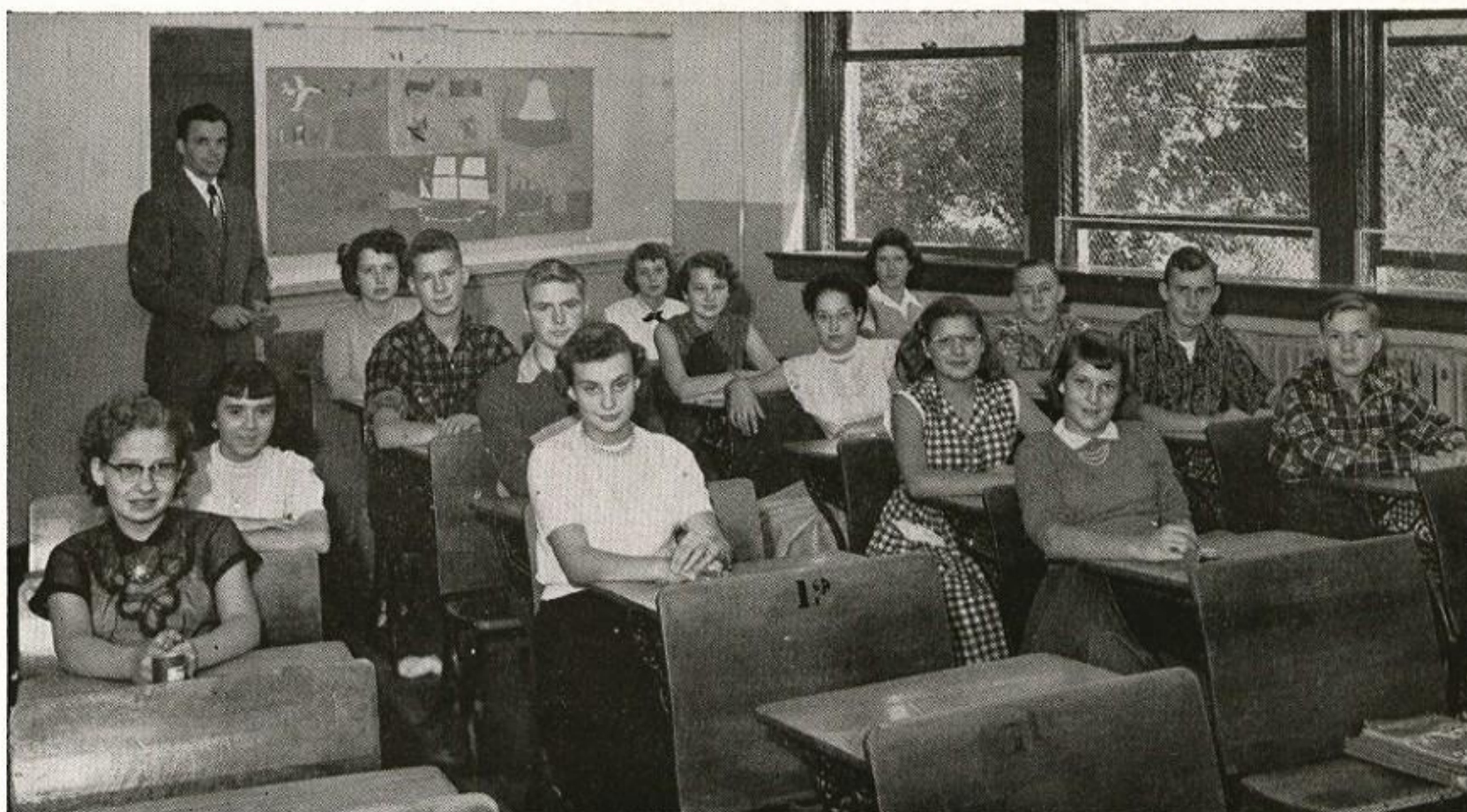


First row: Judy Dawson, Judy Johnson.
 Second row: Donald Merrifield, Tom Bealor, Beverly Cadle, Shirley Heflin, Linda Gibbs, Joyce Hendren, Irma Baumgardner.
 Third row: John Galaway, Lyle Lindsey, Robert Ashworth, Lew Coyle, George Engel, Norris Blankenship, David Lewis, Gordon Huff.
 Fourth row: Oran McGath, Ralph Jones, Jimmy Johnson, Donald Dye, David Dawson, Jim Anderson, Donald Corder.
 Fifth row: Dixie Owens, Susie Oakley, Doris Maiden.

First row: Jane Reynolds, Mary Jean Smith, Nadine Richards.
 Second row: Phil Rous, John Thurber, Larry Stagen, Harold Stevens, Lyndon Short.
 Third row: Frances Wheeler, Nancy Shaw, Pat Weidner, Sylvia Stoughton, David Trenkle, Junior Whitehouse.
 Fourth row: Dick Reynolds, Frank Williams, Skip Stagen, Raymond Sawyer, Mike Trenkle, John West.
 Fifth row: Mary Lou Parr, Jackie Roberson, Charles Williams, Fred Peters, Donald Stimler, Becky Wheeler, Joyce Stiger.



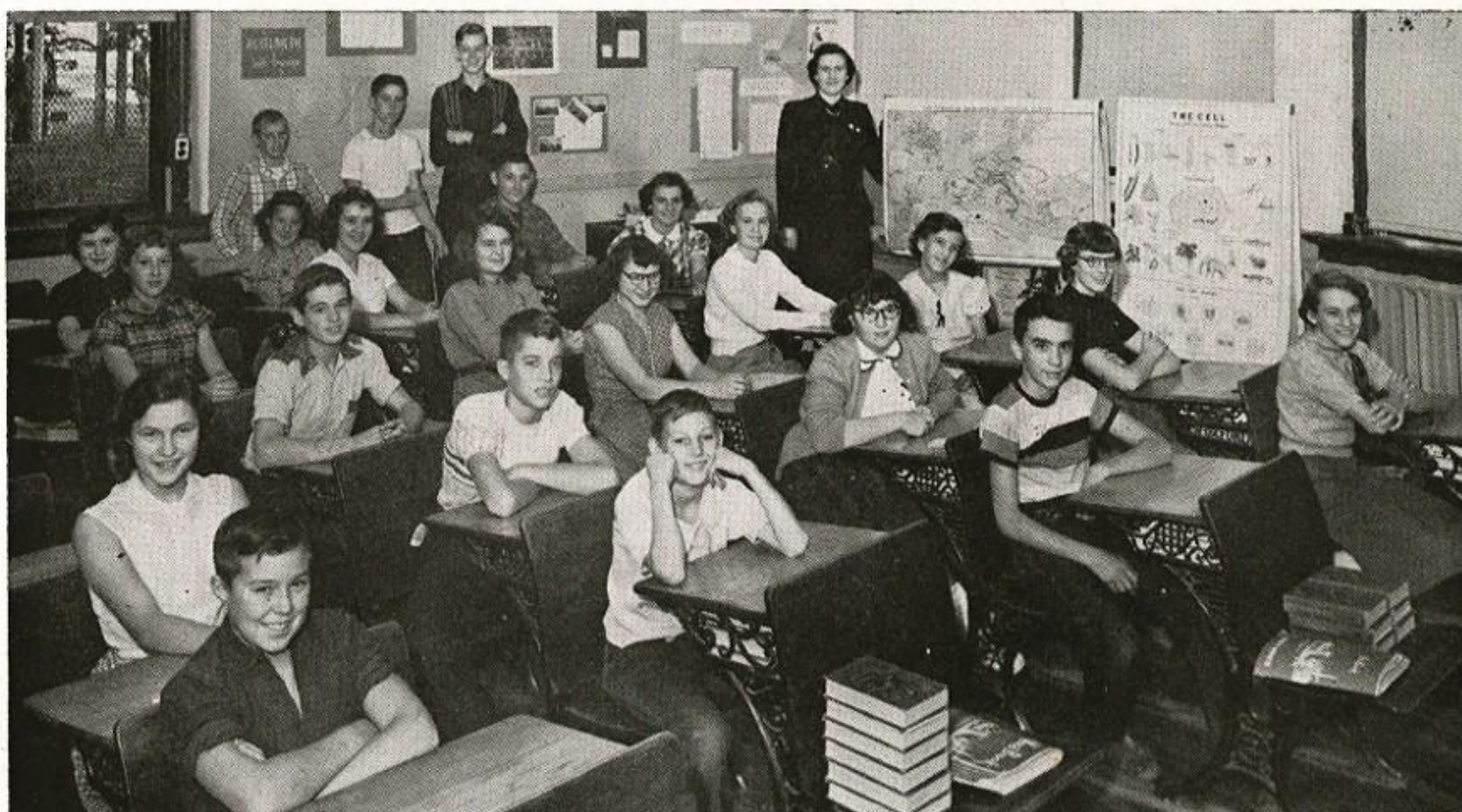




First row: Kathleen Isaacs, Carolyn Curtis.
 Second row: Elizabeth Nowlin, Buddy Hooser, Frank Fogal, Cheryl Herrick.
 Third row: Janet Elmore, Charlotte Sawyer, Joyce McGath, Donna Baillie, Joyce Humes.
 Fourth row: Raymond White, Bernard Brooks, Julian Shaffer, Martha Rittenhouse.
 Standing: Mr. Lawrence Boyle.

Eighth Grade

First row: Steve Wheeler, Jo Alice Flint.
 Second row: Gerald Page, James Lashbrook, Melvin Reynolds, Gardenia Wilson, Carolyn Baker.
 Third row: Cloyd Howe, Carol Stiger, Virginia Hardwick, Susan Schnabel, Judy Anderson, Nancy Engel.
 Fourth row: Anne Frederickson, Bettie Thomas, Patricia Newberry, Nancy Vaughn, Janet Hester, Bill Walden.
 Standing: Donald Ester, Francis Wickenhouser, Merle Clark, Miss Elaine Dickson.





First row: LeRoy Ester, Ronald Page, Eddie Walsh, Steve Barnett.
 Second row: Kenneth Spurling, Bill Hammer, Maxine Healea, Charles Brannock, Sandra Swallow.
 Third row: Eddie Follis, Leslie Simpson, Betty Wilson, Clarine Baker, Susan Herrick, Marilyn Price.
 Fourth row: Joe Walsh, James Ratcliffe, Jim Wright.
 Standing: Katherine Fogal, La Donna Thompson, Bertha Rash, Madeline McCord, Myrna Flanagan, Lee Stevens, Sue Turpin, David Ashworth, Lynn Lohmeyer, Miss Ruth Schneider.

Seventh Grade

First row: Alan Oleson.
 Second row: Curtis Maxwell, Beverly Vaughn, Deanna Durbin, Jane Stagen, Diane Kenner, Bobby Workman.
 Third row: Jerry Stiles, Sharon Owens, Esther Torrence, Patty Hendren, Royce Wilson.
 Fourth row: Carolyn Kuykendall, Sharon Harder, Elfrieda Stensel, Kathryn Swartz, Linda Hieronymus, Curtis Rau, Eugene Ester.
 Standing: Jimmy Jones, Jimmy Borton, Jerry Zimmerman, Steve McCord, Larry Young, Beverly Grimes, Myrna Maxwell, Mrs. Crago.



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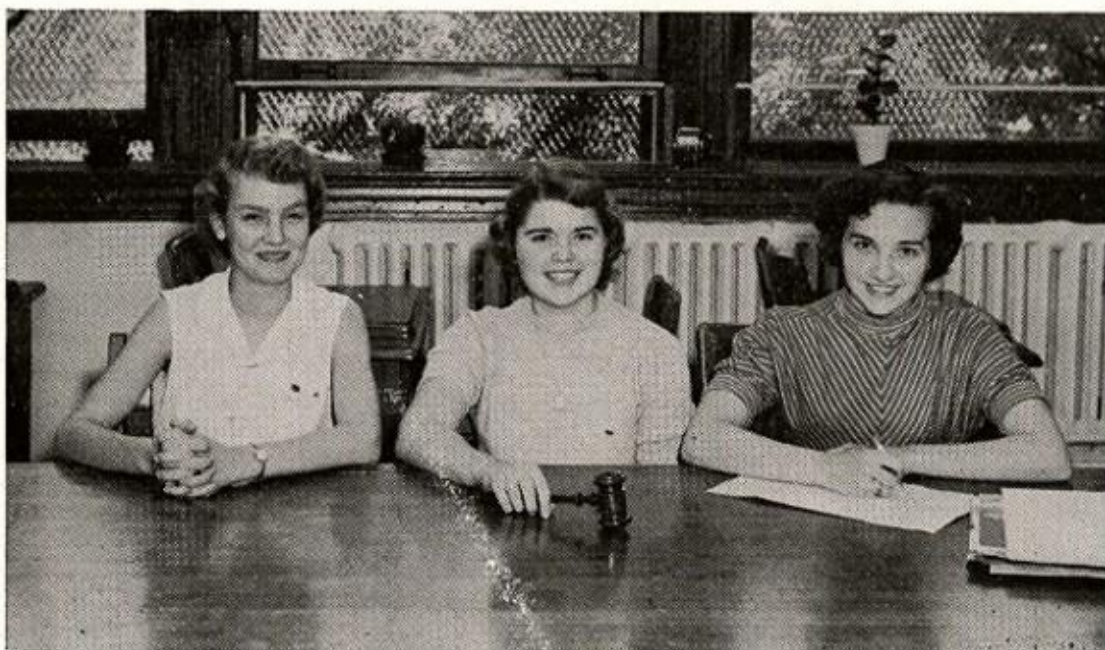
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Student Council
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Shirley Wheeler, Annette Price, Arvilla Dawson.

Student Council

President	-	-	-	-	-	Annette Price
Vice President	-	-	-	-	-	Shirley Wheeler
Secretary-Treasurer	-	-	-	-	-	Arvilla Dawson

The 1952-1953 Student Council started the year out with a new tradition at Moore High School. The members and officers were elected in the Spring. The representatives were: Seniors, Annette Price, Bill Fogal, Louie James; Juniors, Shirley Wheeler, Arvilla Dawson; Sophomores, Mary Kathryn Seifert, Norma Lohmeyer; Freshmen, Frances Wheeler, Dick Reynolds; Eighth Grade, Bettie Thomas, Frank Fogal; Seventh Grade, Steve McCord, Steve Barnett. The council decided that each club in the high school should have a representative in the Student Council. Those elected were: F.H.A., Carolyn Hieronymus; F.F.A., Jerry Rau; G.A.A., Melva Smith; "M" Club, Jerry Hieronymus; I.A., Mike Price; V.A., Bill Wells.

The first job of the council was Student Control Day. A principal, assistant principal and office secretary were elected from the Senior class. The students taught all the classes during the day.

The Student Council began working on the Student Handbook in the Spring and completed it the first week of school. They were handed out at an assembly and then the student body broke up into groups led by Student Council members, who explained the purpose and meaning of the handbook to the students.

The Freshman initiation was taken care of by the council. The program for the Freshman Initiation Party consisted of talent from the Freshman class and relay races. The new teachers put on a skit on how a classroom should be conducted. (What a classroom!!)

The last day of school before Christmas vacation, the council sponsored a program. After group singing and special numbers, Santa arrived with treats for all and wished everyone a very Merry Christmas.

Methods of electing cheerleaders were discussed by the Student Council. After much discussion it was decided that the varsity cheerleaders would be elected each year. All girls interested could stay out if they didn't make the varsity team and rotate cheering for the second team games. This change was made to help stimulate the interest of the cheerleaders and give them something to work for.

The last project of the council was a dance sponsored after the LeRoy Basketball game. Free refreshments were served. About ninety-five people attended the dance.

Members

Seated: Shirley Wheeler, Annette Price, Mr. Lawrence E. Smith, Arvilla Dawson.

Standing: First row: Steve Barnett, Carolyn Hieronymus, Melva Smith, Norma Lohmeyer, Mary Kathryn Seifert, Bettie Thomas, Frances Wheeler, Steve McCord.

Second row: Dick Reynolds, Jerry Rau, Frank Fogal, Jerry Hieronymus, Louis James, Myron Price, Bill Fogal, Bill Wells.





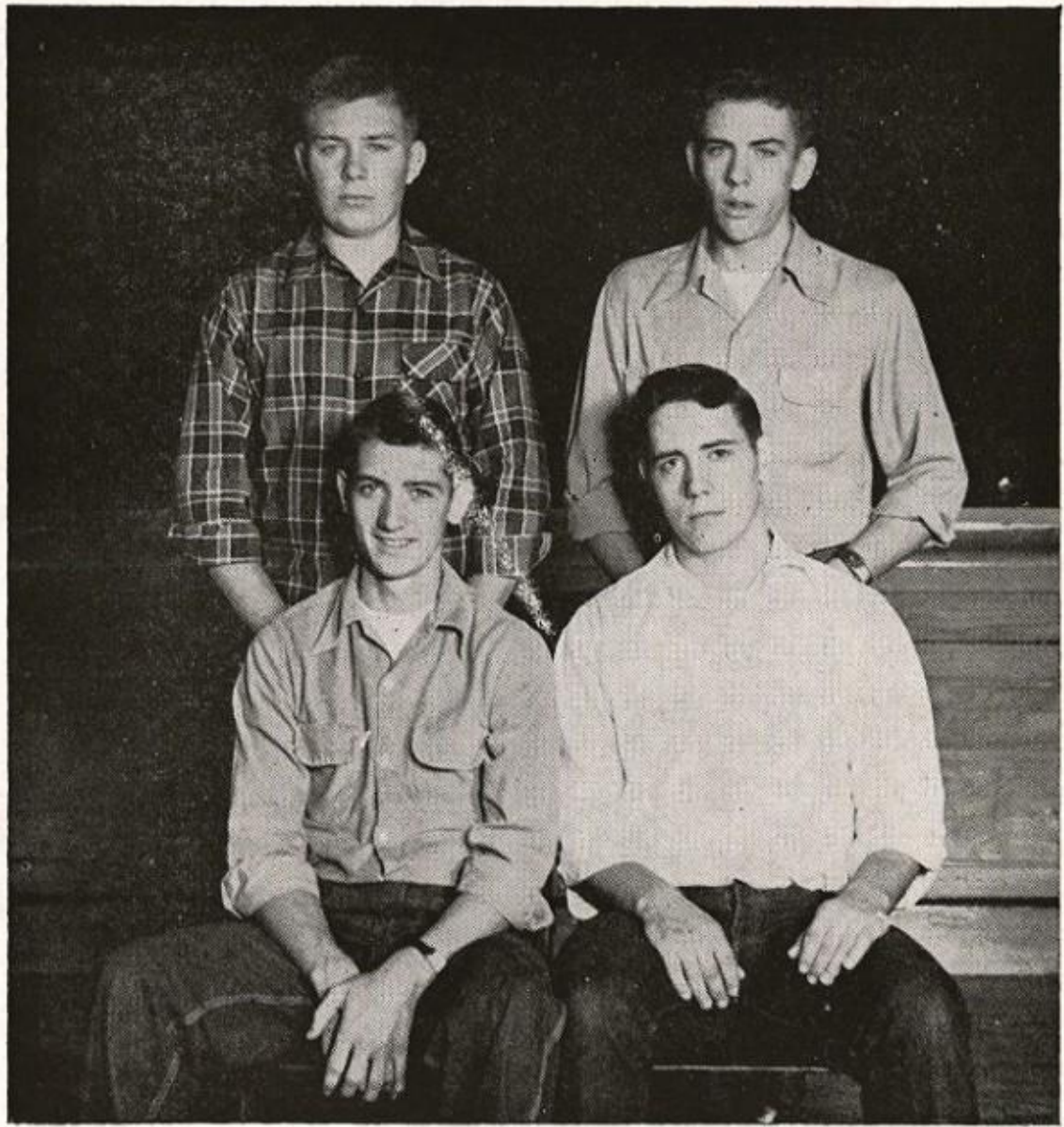
Officers

John Thomas
President

Darrell LaMonte
Vice President

Kent Durbin
Secretary-Treasurer

Bill Wells
Student Council

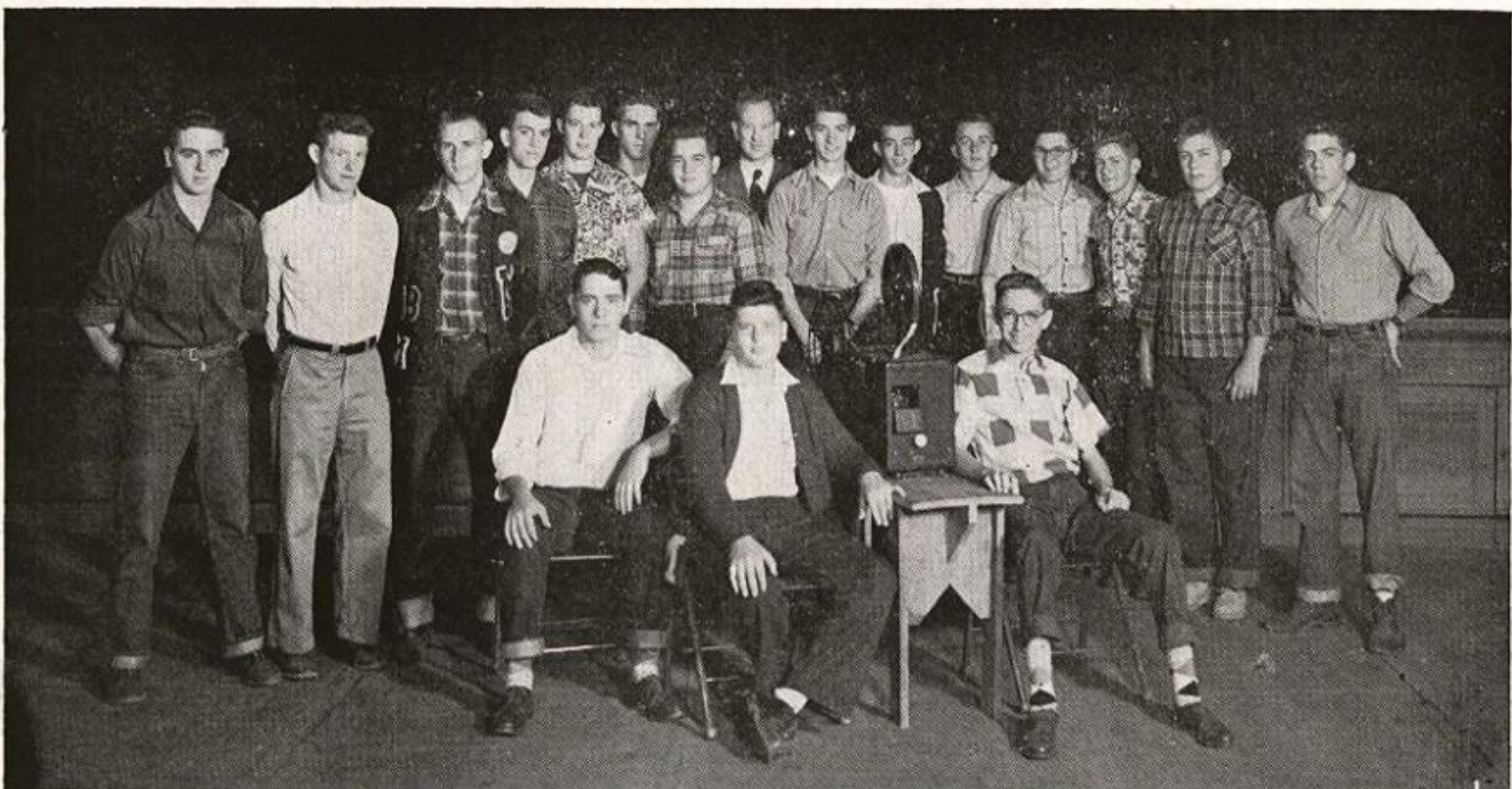


Visual Aids

Members

Seated: Darrell LaMonte, David Lewis, Kristen Lawson.

Standing: Ronnie Roop, Leland Junkert, Jerry Hieronymus, John Thurber, Jerry Rau, Louis James, Larry Hoffman, Mr. Bonnell, John Thomas, Don Goodall, Jim Ruckman, Don Stagen, Norman Emerson, Kent Durbin, Bill Wells.



Librarians



First row: John Galloway,
Phil Rous.

Second row: Joyce Stiger,
Irma Baumgardner, Judy
Johnson, Shirley Heflin,
Dixie Owens, Susie Oakley.

Third row: Sara Maxwell,
Beverly Cadle, Judy Daw-
son, Norma Scarbrough,
Mariam Meredith, Betty
Hoffman, Virginia Sprague.

Hall Cadets



Seated: Mary Kathryn
Beasley.

Standing: Myron Price, Lon-
nie Bealor, Wayne Wil-
liams, Don Stagen, David
Elmore, Kristen Lawson.

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I. A.
Officers



Francis Harder, Jim Peters, Lonnie Bealor, Donald Goodall,
 Mr. John Edwards.

Industrial Arts Club

President	-	-	-	-	-	Donald Goodall
Vice-President	-	-	-	-	-	Lonnie Bealor
Secretary-Treasurer	-	-	-	-	-	Francis Harder
Sergeant-at-Arms	-	-	-	-	-	Bill Wells
Student Council	-	-	-	-	-	Myron Price

The Industrial Arts Club is for all boys who have completed at least one year of industrial arts. They are boys who are interested in doing extra work or advanced work in industrial arts. It helps them to gain more experience by doing more and different work.

The club sponsored a dance after the Farmer City-Mansfield basketball game. They gave away door prizes and served free refreshments. About one hundred people attended the dance. It was the first dance to be given after a basketball game this season.

The Industrial Arts Club had several projects during the year. They made easels for the grade school to use. They also made new bookcases for use at the grade school.

They decided to make gavels and sell them to other clubs at school. Within a short time several clubs had placed orders for the gavels, so the work was begun. The I. A. donated \$6.50 to the polio drive in January.

The club had a skating party at Bloomington in January. They invited guests and everyone had a wonderful time. About thirty people were at the party.

Ten I. A. members attended the Engineering Open House at the University of Illinois on March 26.

In April the club went to Decatur to take a tour of two plants. They were a plastic plant and a carburetor plant. It was a very worthwhile trip as the boys saw many new things and learned several interesting facts during their tours through the two plants. On April 10, the club went to Clinton where they visited the round house.

The Industrial Arts Club, with its fourteen members and advisor, Mr. John Edwards, had a very active and prosperous year.

Members

Left to right: Myron Price, Terry Rockhold, Francis Harder, Donald Goodall, Bill Wells, Jim Peters, Jerry Wright, Jim Ruckman, Jim Reynolds, Jim Hammer, Dave Frederickson, Lonnie Bealor, Darrell LaMonte, Mr. John Edwards, Wayne Williams.



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F. H. A.
Officers



Seated: Lois Walker, Annette Price, Malinda Murphey, Betty Hoffman.
 Standing: Miss Catherine Carter, Norma Lohmeyer, Joan Leemon, Sally
 Pierce, Carolyn Hieronymus, Jessie Mae Warren, Laura Rittenhouse,
 Mary Beasley, Sylvia Savage, Jean Koontz.

Future Homemakers of America

President	-	-	-	-	-	Annette Price
Vice-President	-	-	-	-	-	Malinda Murphey
Secretary	-	-	-	-	-	Betty Hoffman
Treasurer	-	-	-	-	-	Lois Walker
Parliamentarian	-	-	-	-	-	Sylvia Savage
Student Council	-	-	-	-	-	Carolyn Hieronymus
Historians	-	-	-	-	-	Joan Leemon, Mary Beasley
Publicity Chairman	-	-	-	-	-	Sally Pierce
Degree Chairman	-	-	-	-	-	Jessie Mae Warren
Courtesy Chairman	-	-	-	-	-	Norma Lohmeyer
Recreation Chairman	-	-	-	-	-	Jean Koontz
Project Chairman	-	-	-	-	-	Laura Rittenhouse
Chapter Mother	-	-	-	-	-	Mrs. Claude Walker

The F.H.A. is a recognized state and national organization, and is open to all students who have taken homemaking. Under the leadership of the club's officers, Miss Catherine Carter, advisor, and Mrs. Claude Walker, chapter mother, membership reached a total of sixty-one. The purpose of the club is to encourage the girls to become better homemakers, as is indicated by the motto, "Toward New Horizons."

During the summer of 1952, Jessie Mae Warren and Annette Price attended F.H.A. Leadership Camp at East Bay Camp, Bloomington, and returned with much interesting and helpful information.

The local chapter was honored by having Jessie Mae Warren elected Section 16 Secretary and Mrs. Clyde Warren elected Section 16 Mother.

The F.H.A. enjoyed a busy and profitable year. One of the highlights was the slumber party. The new members were initiated and served breakfast the following morning to the old members. The new members also did a successful job of keeping the old members awake all night!

The group sponsored two new events this year. They were "Hobo Day" and "Daddy-Date Night." The F.H.A. girls did odd jobs such as raking leaves, washing windows and cleaning house on Hobo Day.

Daddy-Date Night proved to be a very successful event. Sixty-six girls and their dads attended. The group started the evening by playing Bingo. The traveling prizes created a lot of excitement. After singing and refreshments, the group divided up and played volleyball, a game that most of the dads hadn't played for years.

For F.H.A. Week the club had a "No Gripe Day," they cleaned the trophies, they took part in the polio drive and they had a play and panel discussion on school spirit.

The club sent a package to Korea for the World Christmas Festival. They made favors that were sent to a hospital for trays for Christmas.

The money-making project for F.H.A. is the concession stands at ball games. The club made a large profit by running a lunchroom at the State Heavyweight Basketball Tournament held at Farmer City. They sold drinks at all the home football and basketball games.

The last big events of the year were the Annual F.H.A.-F.F.A. Parents' Banquet and the Mothers' Tea and Style Show.

Members

First row: Dorene Clark, Opal Foulks, Arvilla Dawson, Jane Reynolds, Pat Weidner, Dorothy DeVault, Roberta Jones, Ruby Wilson, Doris Shaffer, Pat Wheeler, Nancy Simpson, Agnes Wilson.

Second row: Mrs. Claude Walker, Mrs. Clyde Warren, Dorothy Stiles, Irma Baumgardner, Melva Smith, Jean Koontz, Norma Lohmeyer, Mary Jean Smith, Mary Wells, Susie Oakley, Pat Brannock, Barbara Marvin, Judy Dawson, Mary Parr, Shirley Heflin, Judy Johnson, Becky Wheeler, Mary Scarbrough, Mrs. Martha Curtis, Miss Carter.

Third row: Norma Scarbrough, Sara Maxwell, Joan Leemon, Annette Price, Jackie Roberson, Dixie Owens, Phyllis Turpin, Mary Seifert, Sylvia Savage, Malinda Murphey, Sally Pierce, Frances Wheeler, Carolyn Hieronymus, Joyce Hendren, Shirley Wheeler, Linda Stagen, Mary Beasley.

Fourth row: Ruth Ann McIntyre, Betty Hoffman, Virginia Sprague, Frances Taylor, Barbara Kelley, Laura Rittenhouse, Jessie Mae Warren, Jean Price, Linda Harder, Susanne Flint, Joyce Stiger, Meriam Meredith, Lois Walker, Dorothy West, Beverly Cadle, Linda Gibbs, Nancy Shaw.



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F. F. A.
Officers



Left to right: Ronald Roop, Jerry Hieronymus, John Thomas, Jerry Rau, Delmar Thom, Robert Reynolds, Mr. Paul Durbin.

Future Farmers of America

President	-	-	-	-	-	-	Jerry Rau
Vice-President	-	-	-	-	-	-	Jerry Hieronymus
Secretary	-	-	-	-	-	-	John Thomas
Treasurer	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ronald Roop
Reporter	-	-	-	-	-	-	Delmar Thom
Sentinel	-	-	-	-	-	-	Robert Reynolds
Student Council	-	-	-	-	-	-	Jerry Rau

The Future Farmers of America is a very active organization. It is for all boys who take agriculture courses in school. The F.F.A. has many projects. Each project is planned by a committee which has the responsibility of seeing that the project is handled and carried out in the right way.

The club took its annual trip to Chicago in December. They visited the International Live Stock Show at the International Amphitheater. They also visited the packing house of Swift & Company. The Chicago Stock Yards was another point of interest which they saw. The whole trip was planned and executed through the work of the Cooperative Activities Committee.

This committee is also charged with the care and renting of the steamer which is the property of the club. This machine, which is used to clean implements, is rented to those who wish to use it for a fee of \$6.00 a day.

The F.F.A. boys have done much work on judging. In the fall a group went to Maroa and entered in a Land Use Judging contest. They went to Deland,

where they were in a Grain and Poultry Judging contest. A Fat Stock and Dairy Judging contest is another contest in which the F.F.A. competed.

The boys had a rat killing contest. One rat will eat or destroy between \$20 and \$40 worth of grain a year, so they decided that it would be very worthwhile to have a contest on killing rats. The club was divided into two teams. The boys killed the rats and brought the tails in for proof. The losing team gave a party for the winning team at the end of the year.

The club members sold concrete hog troughs and garden seeds. Selling garden seeds is an annual project of the F.F.A. These projects are for the purpose of raising money for the treasury.

The club keeps a chart of the F.F.A. record of each boy. They receive letter awards when they earn a certain number of points. Points are based on several things with committee work, project records, agriculture grades, and other class grades included. These awards are given at the end of the year.

Members

First row: Phillip Dolbert, Fred Reynolds, Robert Ashworth, Charles Ruch, David Trenkle, Larry Stagen, Mike Trenkle, Jerry Wright, Gary Stagen, Carl Swallow, Oris Miller, Jim Reynolds.

Second row: Bill Wells, Robert Reynolds, Kent Durbin, Larry Thomas, Harold Sosamon, Fred Wickenhouser, Larry Hoffman, Don Owens, Robert Baumgardner, Norman Emmerson, Tom Healea, Harold Stevens, Don Stagen.

Third row: Jerry Rau, Delmar Thom, John Thomas, Jerry Hieronymus, Kristen Lawson, Roy Scarbrough, Jim Ruckman, David Elmore, Jim Hammer, Larry Gee, Gerald White, John Galloway, Don Goodall, Ronnie Roop, Mr. Paul Durbin.



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G.A.A.
Officers
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Seated: Jean Price, Malinda Murphey, Jessie Mae Warren, Joan Leemon.
 Standing: Virginia Minnie, Miss Phyllis Grosh, Melva Smith.

President	-	-	-	-	-	Malinda Murphey
Vice-President	-	-	-	-	-	Jessie Mae Warren
Secretary	-	-	-	-	-	Joan Leemon
Treasurer	-	-	-	-	-	Jean Price
Point Recorder	-	-	-	-	-	Virginia Minnie
Student Council	-	-	-	-	-	Melva Smith

Girls' Athletic Association

The Girls' Athletic Association is a national organization of high school girls who are interested in improving their abilities and attitudes towards sports and sportsmanship. The Moore High Club had a membership of thirty-nine girls during the 1952-53 school year. G.A.A. organized activities were held in the gym on Tuesdays and Fridays after school during the football and basketball season.

The first event of the year was an all day hike with a cook-out at noon to introduce new members to G.A.A.

The next big occasion was a winter play-day called "Christmas Treats." Clinton, Deland-Weldon and Gibson City attended. The play-day consisted of basketball, volleyball, stunts and tumbling.

Swimming lessons started in December with a total of twenty beginners. Eight passed the Red Cross Beginners' requirements.

During the year G.A.A. pins were ordered by most members of the club. Money was raised by the sale of Salt Water Taffy. This and dues were enough to send two girls to camp and pay for awards.

Two girls were elected to go to G.A.A. camp at Lake Bloomington. These girls were Linda Gibbs and Frances Wheeler, G.A.A. camp is sponsored for outstanding G.A.A. members to train them to be leaders in their school G.A.A.s. It is a week of training in all activities that G.A.A. may use.

This year the G.A.A. Board, consisting of all officers and representatives from each class, planned the annual Physical Education demonstration. Members of the board were Mary Jean Smith, Ruth Ann McIntyre, Jessie Mae Warren, Joan Leemon, Melva Smith, Malinda Murphey, Virginia Minnie, and Jean Price.

Something new in G.A.A. this year was a course in camp craft in the spring. It was a course on how to live out-of-doors. G.A.A. members are now able to go on hikes and cook-outs and are able to plan and execute them.

The last big affair was the initiation-installation party in late spring.

Members

First row: Miss Grosh, Arvilla Dawson, Doris Shaffer, Jane Reynolds, Pat Weidner, Roberta Jones, Dorothy DeVault, Nancy Simpson, Melva Smith.

Second row: Virginia Minnie, Norma Lohmeyer, Mary Lou Wells, Mary Jean Smith, Irma Baumgardner, Jackie Roberson, Becky Wheeler, Jean Koontz, Annette Price.

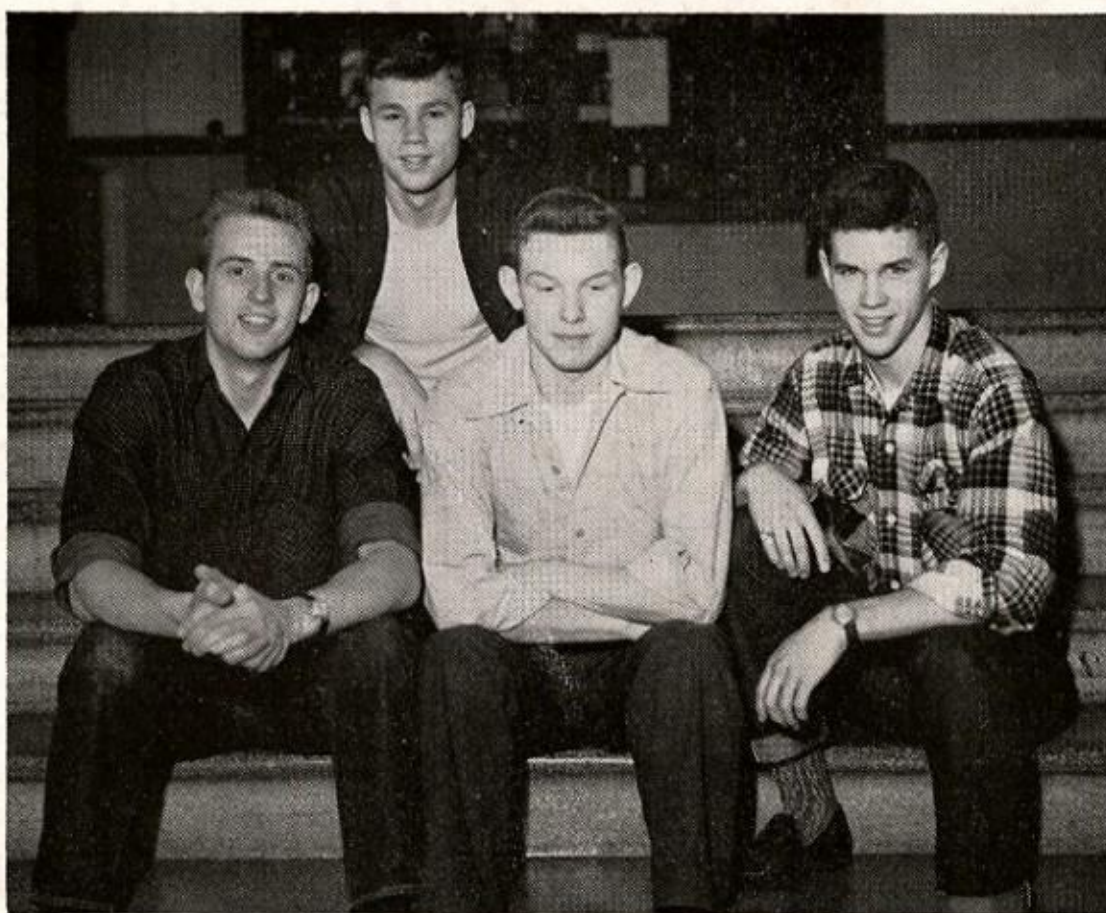
Third row: Laura Rittenhouse, Mary Parr, Sylvia Stoughton, Phyllis Turpin, Malinda Murphey, Sally Pierce, Frances Wheeler, Judy Johnson, Carolyn Hieronymus.

Fourth row: Mary Seifert, Joyce Hendren, Beverly Cadle, Linda Harder, Shirley Wheeler, Lois Walker, Joan Leemon, Jessie Mae Warren.

Fifth row: Agnes Wilson, Jean Price, Susanne Flint, Ruth Ann McIntyre, Mary Beasley, Nancy Shaw, Linda Gibbs, Linda Stagen.



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"M"
Club
Officers



Left to right: Jerry Hieronymus, Robert Reynolds, Leland Junkert, Paul Belyea.

President	-	-	-	-	-	Leland Junkert
Vice-President	-	-	-	-	-	Jerry Hieronymus
Secretary-Treasurer	-	-	-	-	-	Paul Belyea
Student Council	-	-	-	-	-	Jerry Hieronymus
Sergeant-at-Arms	-	-	-	-	-	Robert Reynolds

"M" Club

The "M" Club is made up of boys who have earned the major "M" in athletics. This year there were twenty-five members in the club.

The club has two main purposes:

1. To bring about closer association of varsity letter winners.
2. To promote school spirit, sportsmanship, and a better understanding of sports.

This year the club was very active. During football season, the club members sold popcorn. When basketball season rolled around the boys again sold popcorn at the home games.

The coach and some of the boys felt that they should do something that at least part of the student body could profit from. Being interested in sports, the boys decided to sponsor a basketball tournament for the boys not out for varsity basketball. Enough boys signed up to have six teams with six boys on a team. The winning team received a trophy on which their names were engraved. This trophy is displayed in the trophy case at the high school.

The "M" Club popped popcorn at the Junior High School Heavyweight State Basketball Tournament, and the Junior F.H.A. Club sold it.

The "M" Club took their annual trip to Chicago March 28 and 29. They stayed at the Morrison Hotel. The boys went to the movies and to a big sports affair. They took Mr. Slack, Mr. Bray, Mr. Connolly, Mr. Durbin and Mr. Minnie as their guests. The club pays for the sports entertainment and the hotel bill from the money they make from popcorn sales.

During football season moving pictures were taken by Mr. Durbin. The "M" Club purchased these films and started a film library. Any club may use these films. They hope to build this library up year by year.

Members

First row: Don Taylor, Phil King, Don Goodall, John Thomas, Jerry Rau.
Second row: Harold Sosoman, Francis Harder, Kent Durbin, Paul Belyea.
Third row: Leland Junkert, Robert Reynolds, Wayne Williams, Jerry Hieronymus, Maurice Miller.
Fourth row: Mr. Bray, Terry Rockhold, Larry Stagen, Ronnie Roop, Don Stagen, Mr. Slack.
Fifth row: Dave Frederickson, Darrell LaMonte, Phillip Dolbert, Weldon Fogal.



Jr. F.H.A.

Officers

President	-	-	-	-	-	Carolyn Curtis
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Chapter Mother	-	-	-	-	-	Mrs. Millard Thomas
Adviser	-	-	-	-	-	Miss Elaine Dickson

Members

First row: Deanna Durbin, Maxine Healea, Clarine Baker, Miss Elaine Dickson, Sue Turpin, Beverly Grimes, Myrna Maxwell.

Second row: Bettie Thomas, Charlotte Sawyer, Jane Stagen, Sharon Harder, Virginia Hardwick, Pat Newberry, Carolyn Curtis, Diane Kenner, Nancy Engel, Beverly Vaughn.

Third row: Cheryl Herrick, Myrna Flanagan, Joyce Humes, Janet Hester, Carolyn Baker, Sharon Owens, Linda Hieronymus, Nancy Vaughn, Pat Hendren, Anne Frederickson.

Fourth row: Sandra Swallow, Donna Baillie, Carol Stiger, Gardenia Wilson, Kathleen Isaacs, Bertha Rash, Joyce McGath, Madeline McCord, JoAlice Flint, Janet Elmore, LaDonna Thompson.

Fifth row: Martha Rittenhouse, Judy Anderson, Esther Torrence, Carolyn Kuykendall, Elfrieda Stensel, Susan Schnabel, Elizabeth Nowlin, Kathryn Swartz, Betty Wilson, Marilyn Price, Kathryn Fogal, Susan Herrick.



Owlette

The 1952-1953 school newspaper, the Owlette, was published by the secretarial practice class, under the direction of Miss June Dickson. The class published six editions. Each one was printed before a special event or holiday: Homecoming, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Valentine Day, April Fool's Day, and graduation.

Much class time was spent working on the newspaper. The girls collected the news and wrote the articles. They typed the articles and assembled the paper. The articles included in the Owlette were editorials, short stories, sports, class and club news, birthday calendars and gossip.

Publishing the Owlette gave the secretarial practice class some good experience, as well as giving the students an interesting newspaper.

First row: Melva Smith, Wilma Scarbrough, Pat Wheeler, Marjorie Connell.

Second row: Laura Rittenhouse, Annette Price, Malinda Murphey, Barbara Kuykendall, Virginia Minnie, Miss June Dickson.



Owl Staff

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Humor Editor	-	-	-	-	-	Jerry Hieronymus

Early in September a committee of senior class officers and advisors selected the 1953 Owl Staff. Five editors-in-chief were appointed in order that the responsibility would be shared. The business manager and his assistants began work immediately. Because of the good job they did on selling ads and the money which was received from candy sales it was possible for the budget for the annual to be raised this year. The class worked after school and nights on the theme and the layout for the Owl. All the seniors had a job. With the cooperation of everyone it was possible for the class to present you with this 1953 Owl. We hope that everyone enjoys this annual as much as we have enjoyed making it for you.

First row: Louis James, Wilma Scarbrough, Bill Fogal, Virginia Minnie, Paul Belyea.

Second row: Melva Smith, Pat Wheeler, Marjorie Connell, Lonnie Bealor, Myron Price.



Paris
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Music

BAND

The Moore High School marching and concert bands have done their usual good job in school activities this year. The band now has a total enrollment of forty-four players under the direction of Mr. Arthur Middlested.

The band played for five home games during the football season. They used many interesting formations and tunes to entertain the crowd. Ten home games were played for during the basketball season. Without the handicap of cold weather during the basketball season the band played many popular songs and famous marches.

There are two units within the band. These are the Brass Choir, and the Woodwind Ensemble. These groups appear at various civic functions such as Kiwanis, P.T.A., Women's Club and Baccalaureate. The concert band also features several soloists from different sections of its ranks.

First row: Linda Welton, Jane Brownlee, Doris Shaffer, Mariam Meredith.

Second row: Annette Price, Sylvia Stoughton, Jim Ruchman, Betty Hoffman, Bettie Thomas.

Third row: Carolyn Hieronymus, Lois Walker, Larry Welton, Judy Anderson, Cheryl Herrick, Elizabeth Nowlin.

Fourth row: Mary Lou Wells, David Lewis, LeRoy Ester, Curtis Rau, Larry Hoffman.

Standing: Dorene Clark, Mr. Arthur Middlested.



On February 4 of this year, all the bands and glee clubs of DeWitt county met at Moore High School to hold the Annual Music Festival. Members of the Farmer City band enjoyed playing in the 240 piece band under the direction of the different band masters in the county.

The Annual Spring Concert was held April 22, and was well attended. This concert was the climax of a whole year's work for the band. The exciting "Ritual Fire Dance" was one of the many entertaining numbers on the program, as was Rex Crago's trombone solo, "Thoughts of Love."

Two new marches composed by Mr. Middlested were introduced and enjoyed by everyone.

While the band is rather young for the most part, they play a well diversified program of classic, concert and swing music. The addition of the bassoon and an extra oboe has helped to add a richer and fuller tone to the band.

First row: Nancy Brownlee, Judy Kelley, Myrna Maxwell, Linda Gibbs.

Second row: Linda Hieronymus, Melva Smith, Carolyn Curtis, Deanna Durbin.

Third row: Kathryn Swartz, Kathleen Isaacs, Maxine Healea, Jane Reynolds, Beverly Grimes, Virginia Sprague.

Standing: Susan Herrick, Bonnie Duff, Kristen Lawson, Laura Rittenhouse.

Not pictured: Virginia Minnie, Rex Crago, Phyllis Holman, Beverly Swigart.





Woodwind Ensemble

Left to right: Betty Hoffman, Cheryl Herrick, Bettie Thomas, Jane Ann Reynolds, Linda Gibbs, Linda Hieronymus, Melva Smith.

Band Ensembles

Brass Choir

Left to right: Kathryn Swartz, Lois Walker, Carolyn Hieronymus, Rex Crago, Larry Hoffman, Jane Reynolds, Beverly Grimes.





Seated: Miss Carmen Covey, Janet Hoffman.

Standing: Charles Ruch, Bob Baumgardner, Jerry Hieronymus, Bill Rittenhouse, Darrell LaMonte, Fred Peters, Phil Rous, Louis James, Roy Scarbrough, Bill Fogal, Jim Peters, Tom Bealor, Myron Price, Lonnie Bealor, Kent Durbin, Dick Oakley.

Boys' Glee Club

The high school Boys' Glee Club reached a total of twenty-two members this year. This is the largest the organization has been in several years. The boys made their first appearance at the Homecoming program, when they sang "Let's Build a Bungalow," and "September Song." They sang "There's Nothing Like a Dame," and "The World Is Waiting For the Sunrise" at a P.T.A. program and a school assembly.

The Boys' Glee Club sang "Halls of Ivy" and "Let It Snow, Let It Snow" at the Christmas program presented by the vocal music department. They were featured at the DeWitt County Music Festival.

The boys took part in the Minstrel Show. All the End-Men came from the Boys' Glee Club and all of these boys were soloists at the Minstrel Show.

Girls' Glee Club

The high school girls Glee Club had a total of fifty-five members. These girls have done exceptionally fine work and great expectations are in store for the future. They make up the largest vocal organization in school. Virginia Minnie is the Glee Club accompanist.

The club had a very active year. They sang at two P.T.A. meetings. One was an American pageant they did with the Junior English class. The girls sang at the Christmas program, DeWitt County Music Festival, assembly programs, baccalaureate and graduation.

One of the biggest activities of the year was the minstrel show, "Show Boat." The Glee Club sang and many of the girls were in special acts.

First row: Carolyn Hieronymus, Arvilla Dawson, Dorothy DeVault, Jane Reynolds, Miss Covey, Roberta Jones, Nancy Simpson, Pat Wheeler.
Second row: Pat Weidner, Judy Dawson, Barbara Marvin, Jackie Roberson, Becky Wheeler, Irma Baumgardner, Pat Brannock, Susie Oakley, Elberta Jones, Dixie Owens, Norma Lohmeyer.
Third row: Mary Lou Wells, Mary Scarbrough, Annette Price, Dorothy Stiles, Phyllis Turpin, Barbara Kuykendall, Malinda Murphey, Sally Pierce, Frances Wheeler, Mary Kathryn Seifert, Joyce Hendren.
Fourth row: Joan Leemon, Virginia Minnie, Sylvia Savage, Joyce Stiger, Frances Taylor, Wilma Scarbrough, Marjorie Connell, Mary Beasley, Janet Hoffman, Jessie Mae Warren, Agnes Wilson.
Fifth row: Dorothy West, Jean Price, Ruth Ann McIntyre, Beverly Cadle, Betty Hoffman, Linda Gibbs, Maxine Torrence, Norma Scarbrough, Linda Stagen, Phyllis Holman, Nancy Shaw.





First row: Ronald Page, Jimmy Borton, Eddie Follis, Lee Stevens, Miss Covey, Charles Brannock, Lynn Lohmeyer, LeRoy Ester, Alan Oleson.
 Second row: Curtis Maxwell, Bill Hammer, Leslie Simpson, Bobbie Workman, Raymond White, Eugene Ester, Jerry Stiles, Eddie Walsh, Joe Walsh.
 Third row: Steve Barnett, Curtis Rau, Buddy Hooser, Frank Fogal, Bernard Brooks, Julian Shaffer, Kenneth Spurling, James Ratcliffe.

Junior High Glee Clubs

First row: Susan Herrick, Joyce Humes, Miss Covey, Martha Rittenhouse, Bettie Thomas, Cheryl Herrick.
 Second row: Patricia Newberry, Carolyn Curtis, Diane Kenner, Nancy Engel, Beverly Vaughn, Deanna Durbin, Maxine Healea, Clarine Baker, Sue Turpin, Beverly Grimes, Myrna Maxwell.
 Third row: Janet Hester, Carolyn Baker, Sharon Owens, Nancy Vaughn, Patty Hendren, Anne Frederickson, Charlotte Sawyer, Jane Stagen, Virginia Hardwick, Sharon Harder.
 Fourth row: Kathryn Swartz, Marilyn Price, Bertha Rash, Betty Wilson, Katherine Fogal, Carol Stiger, Jo Alice Flint, LaDonna Thompson, Madeline McCord, Joyce McGath, Myrna Flanagan.
 Fifth row: Sandra Swallow, Donna Baillie, Judy Anderson, Gardenia Wilson, Esther Torrence, Carolyn Kuykendall, Elfrieda Stensel, Susan Schnabel, Elizabeth Nowlin.



Palace

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Sports

Football

Returning Lettermen

First row: Maurice Miller, Robert Reynolds, Mr. Slack, Paul Belyea, Leland Junkert.
Standing: Don Stagen, Dick Oakley.



PAUL BELYEA—Co-Captain—Regular, dependable left end—Also kickoff man—Senior.

LELAND JUNKERT—Co-Captain—Elusive left halfback—Brilliant defensive man—Senior.

MAURICE MILLER—Regular—Outstanding runner and passer—Senior.

DON STAGEN—Regular—Outstanding defensive player—Switched from end to guard—Senior.

JERRY HIERONYMUS—Regular—Started late—Did a creditable job of tackling—Senior.

LONNIE BEALOR—Regular—Did a fine job as linebacker—Senior.

TERRY ROCKHOLD—Hard running reserve halfback—Senior.

JOHN THOMAS—Regular—Did a splendid job as quarterback—Very good passer, punter—Junior.

JERRY RAU—Regular—Right end—Good pass receiver—Junior.

ROBERT REYNOLDS—Regular—A mainstay in the line—Very commendable job—Junior.

DICK OAKLEY—Regular—Smashing fullback—Junior.

DON TAYLOR—Regular—Rugged, dependable right guard—Junior.

WAYNE WILLIAMS—Regular—Center and linebacker—good job—Junior.

DARRELL LAMONTE—Regular tackle—good blocker—Junior.

HAROLD SOSAMON—Defensive halfback—Reserve fullback—Did a good job—Junior.

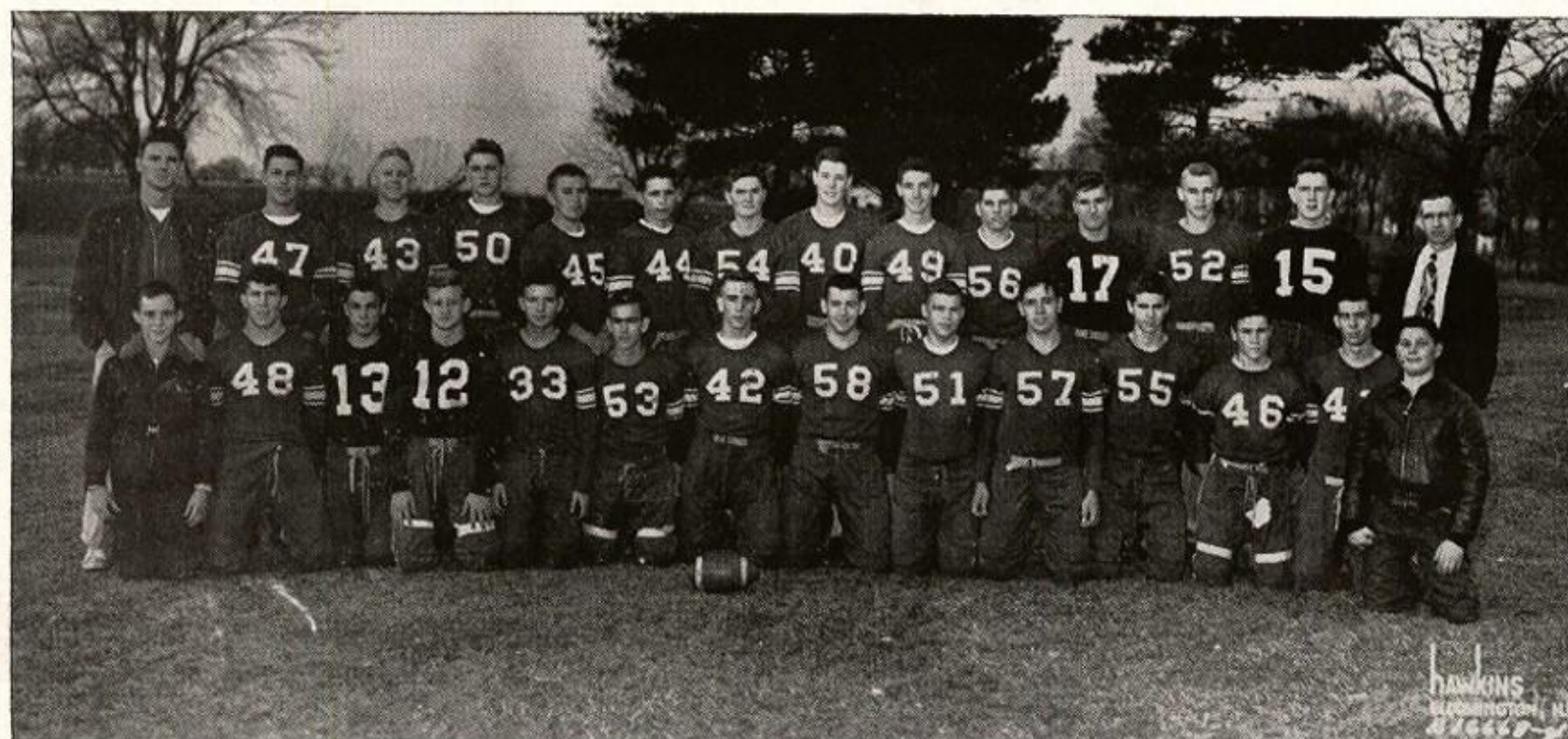
PHILLIP KING—Regular at left guard—Offense and defense—Sophomore.

KENT DURBIN—Reserve lineman—Did good job—Sophomore.

Varsity Team

First row: Don Corder, Dick Oakley, Mike Trenkle, Dick Hedges, Don Marvin, Tom Bealor, Lonnie Bealor, Phil King, Robert Reynolds, Darrell LaMonte, Paul Belyea, John West, Don Goodall, Larry Stagen.

Second row: Coach Jerry Slack, David Elmore, Terry Rockhold, Don Taylor, Kent Durbin, Harold Sosamon, Don Stagen, Jerry Rau, John Thomas, Francis Harder, Jim Anderson, Wayne Williams, Delmar Thom, Mr. Leo Bray.



Farmer City 6 — Bement 20

Up against an experienced team, Farmer City fell to Bement in their first game of the season.

The Farmers got a good start but by second quarter they couldn't hold the Bement eleven back. Terry Rockhold was on the receiving end of a pass from John Thomas for the touchdown.

Farmer City 6 — Unity 20

Farmer City suffered its second loss at the hands of the undefeated Unity.

The Farmers were able to hold Unity scoreless the first quarter but Unity broke loose, and the Farmers couldn't keep pace with them. Leland Junkert picked up a fumble and ran 14 yards for the Farmers only tally.

Farmer City 20 — Heyworth 12

With two games experience behind them and the incentive added by Homecoming things looked up when they met Heyworth.

Pedo Miller crossed the line twice for the Farmers and Jerry Hieronymus went over after catching a pass.

Farmer City 37 — Saybrook 0

Farmer City added a second victory with a decisive 37-0 victory over Saybrook.

On the third play of the game Pedo Miller crossed the line with a 40 yard run. Oakley led the scoring with runs of 40 and 20 yards each. Rau, Junkert and Goodall added to the Farmers' lead to make the final score 37-0.

Farmer City 6 — Paxton 14

Farmer City lost again when they met Paxton. They put up an organized resistance to the Paxton offensive and held them scoreless until the last of the second quarter. Paxton scored again in the third quarter.

In the last quarter Miller intercepted a pass and ran 40 yards to set up the only tally. Junkert caught a 20 yard pass to complete the drive.

Farmer City 13 — Octavia 7

The Farmers got a third taste of victory against Octavia. The first score came in the second quarter when Thomas snaked 18 yards to the goal line. Thomas scored again in the third period. The opponents score came near the last of the third period.

Farmer City 41 — LeRoy 14

Farmer City's offensive, led by Miller and Junkert, proved to be too much for LeRoy. Thomas and Junkert tallied in the first period. Junkert scored again in the second. Miller went across in the third and Rockhold scored in the opening minutes of the fourth quarter. Then LeRoy scored on 48 and 70 yard runs. Thomas passed thirty yards to Rau for the Farmers' final touchdown.

Farmer City 6 — Gibson City 26

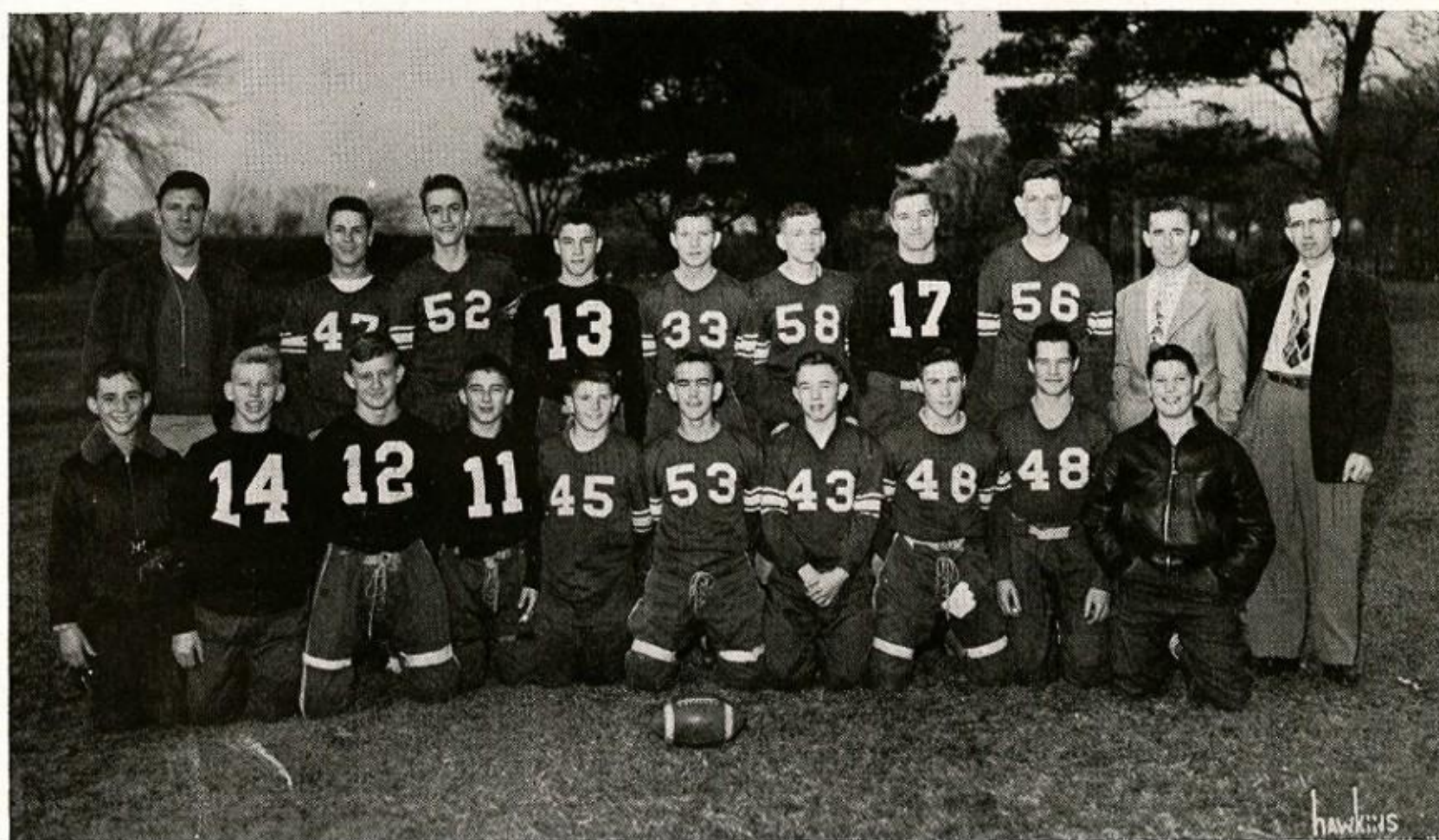
The Farmers took a 26-6 defeat from Gibson City. In the first quarter Pedo Miller passed 30 yards to Rau and Rau ran five yards for an opening quick touchdown.

Gibson City scored in the second and fourth quarters.

Freshman-Sophomore Team

First row: Don Corder, Frank Williams, Dick Hedges, Lynden Short, Skip Stagen, Tom Bealor, John Galaway, John West, Oran McGath, Larry Stagen.

Second row: Coach Jerry Slack, David Elmore, John Thurber, Mike Trenkle, Don Marvin, Phil Rous, Jim Anderson, Delmar Thom, Mr. John Edwards, Mr. Leo Bray.



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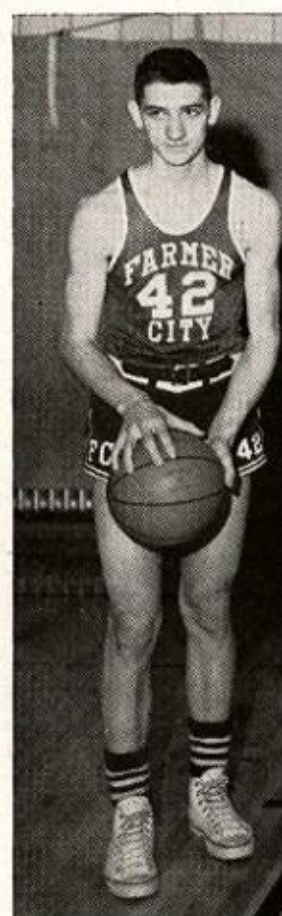
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GUARD



DON
GOODALL
FORWARD

Francis Harder

Basketball

FARMER CITY 56 — MAROA 41

Farmer City opened its 1952-1953 cage season in impressive style with a 56-41 victory over Maroa. John Thomas, Leland Junkert, and Jerry Rau tied for scoring honors with 13 points each.

FARMER CITY 43 — LEROY 33

Farmer City tilted LeRoy in a see-saw victory for their second win. The Farmers led 20-11 at the half, but LeRoy had gained a 27-23 advantage at the end of the third period. John Thomas and Leland Junkert led the drive that put the Farmers back on top.

FARMER CITY 54 — RANTOUL 53

Farmer City just edged Rantoul in a thrilling 54-53 victory. Neither team ever led by more than a couple of baskets. With two minutes left, the Farmers led by three points. Rantoul narrowed this lead to one point, but the Farmers held the ball until the clock ran out. Rau was high scorer with 15 markers. Thomas and Junkert followed with 13 and 12 points respectively.

SANGAMON VALLEY CONFERENCE TOURNAMENT

FARMER CITY 53 — DELAND-WELDON 50

Farmer City protected a slim lead during the fourth quarter to edge DeLand-Weldon in the semifinals of the S.V.C. tourney. Pedro Miller's deft ball handling and Weldon Fogal's 18 points pulled the Farmers through a highly contested battle.

FARMER CITY 49 — LEROY 21

Farmer City won its sixth S.V.C. title by defeating LeRoy 49-21. The Farmers led 15-13 at the half, but they broke loose in the last half and scored 28 points to LeRoy's five. Rau took scoring honors with fourteen points.

FARMER CITY 55 — DELAND-WELDON 56

DeLand-Weldon got their revenge on Farmer City by defeating them 56-55. The Farmers just couldn't get started the first quarter and trailed 21-7. They fought back to a 52-51 lead with two minutes to play. DeLand-Weldon went ahead and time ran out before the Farmers could rally again. Rau had twenty-one points.

Varsity Team

Kneeling: Darrell LaMonte, Mr. Leo Bray, Coach Slack, Larry Stagen.

Standing: Leland Junkert, Larry Welton, Ronald Roop, John Thomas, Jerry Rau, Weldon Fogal, Wayne Williams, Paul Belyea, Donald Goodall, Francis Harder, Maurice Miller.



Basketball

FARMER CITY 59 — OCTAVIA 47

With the aid of John Thomas's twenty-two points and Jerry Rau's 17 counters, the Farmers added another victory to their list by defeating Octavia 59-47.

FARMER CITY 53 — KENNEY 43

With the use of a tight defense, the Farmer City five defeated Kenney in the opening round of the Monticello Holiday Tournament.

FARMER CITY 48 — ST. TERESA 74

Farmer City fell to a powerful St. Teresa team in the second round of the Monticello Holiday Tournament. Although John Thomas, Leland Junkert and Jerry Rau scored over ten points each, it wasn't enough to stop St. Teresa.

FARMER CITY 53 — ARGENTA 49

The Farmers put down a last minute rally to defeat Argenta. The game was close all the way. With ten seconds left the score was tied 48-48. Pedro Miller dumped in two charity shots and Rau made a basket to put the Farmers ahead to stay.

FARMER CITY 61 — FISHER 39

Farmer City poured it on in the second half to down Fisher 39-61. Top scorer was John Thomas with 18 points. Junkert was next with 14.

FARMER CITY 52 — MAHOMET 46

John Thomas led the Farmers to victory with 18 points. After trailing 12 points at the half, Mahomet made a strong bid for victory, but it wasn't enough to overcome the Farmer City quintet. Junkert contributed 12 points to the cause.

FARMER CITY 61 — MANSFIELD 45

Leland Junkert and John Thomas accounted for 43 points as they led the Farmers to a 61-45 win over Mansfield. This gave the Farmers an 11-2 win-lose record.

FARMER CITY 48 — BEMENT 57

The Farmers were handed their third defeat by Bement, 57-48. They trailed by only two points at halftime, but couldn't seem to keep pace with the Bement quintet in the final half. Rau scored eighteen points.

FARMER CITY 40 — CHAMPAIGN 80

The Farmers took their worst defeat of the season at the hands of the Champaign Maroons. The Farmers suffered one of those nights when nothing seemed to go right, hitting only nine out of 53 shots from the field. Champaign, however, was enjoying a very good night. After a hard fight the horn sounded with an 80-40 score for Champaign.

FARMER CITY 65 — UNITY 66

A late Farmer City surge was insufficient to overtake Unity after the Rockets built an early lead and the game ended 66-65 in Unity's favor. Thomas and Williams were high scorers with 17 and 15 points respectively.

FARMER CITY 47 — DELAND-WELDON 50

The Farmers, seemingly under a jinx, suffered their fourth consecutive defeat at the hands of Deland-Weldon. Farmer City led 19-12 midway the second quarter but trailed at halftime, 27-22. They rallied in the final quarter but only succeeded in cutting the margin. Jerry Rau scored 14 points and John Thomas got 13.

FARMER CITY 66 — GIBSON CITY 59

Farmer City shook off a losing streak by beating Gibson City 66-59. The Farmers gained their edge in the first half, and held off Gibson City's bid to overtake them in the final half. "Ace" Williams was high scorer with 16 points.

FARMER CITY 52 — FISHER 37

The Farmers used a hot final quarter to defeat an old rival, Fisher. After a three point lead at halftime the Farmers trailed one point during the third quarter. In the final stanza Fisher was out-scored 15-5.

FARMER CITY 50 — SAYBROOK 61

The Saybrook Commanches capitalized on a cold Farmer City second quarter to defeat them 61-50. Farmer City led 19-15 going into the second period but then trailed 30-24 by the half. Williams was high-point man with 14 points.

FARMER CITY 70 — MANSFIELD 47

After an uncertain first half the Farmers rolled to an easy 70-47 victory over Mansfield. Jerry Rau poured in 18 points against his opponents for scoring honors.

FARMER CITY 66 — MAHOMET 49

The Farmers added another victory by defeating Mahomet 66-49. They had little trouble in rallying over the Bulldogs as they led at halftime 33-23. They continued to pile up points and won by seventeen. Rau scored 20 points.

FARMER CITY 61 — TRINITY 66

The Farmers came up on the short end of a thriller as Trinity defeated them 66-61. The game was close all the way. Although the boys put up a good fight the game ended with Trinity out in front by five points. Jerry Rau took scoring honors with his 15 markers.

FARMER CITY 67 — LEROY 49

Farmer City finished in second place in the Sangamon Valley Conference with an 8-2 record by defeating LeRoy 67-49. The game proved an easy one for the Farmers who led all the way. Miller scored 16 points for honors.

CLINTON REGIONAL TOURNAMENT

FARMER CITY 54 — LEROY 33

The Farmers got off to a good start in the regional tourney, by knocking off LeRoy for the fourth time during the season. The Farmer City quintet led at the half by a 29-15 score. John Thomas was high point man with 14 points. Wayne Williams had 13 points.

FARMER CITY 45 — BLOOMINGTON 66

Farmer City dropped out of the regional tourney at the hands of Bloomington, who won 66-45. Rau was high point man with 11 points and Thomas and Fogal each had ten.

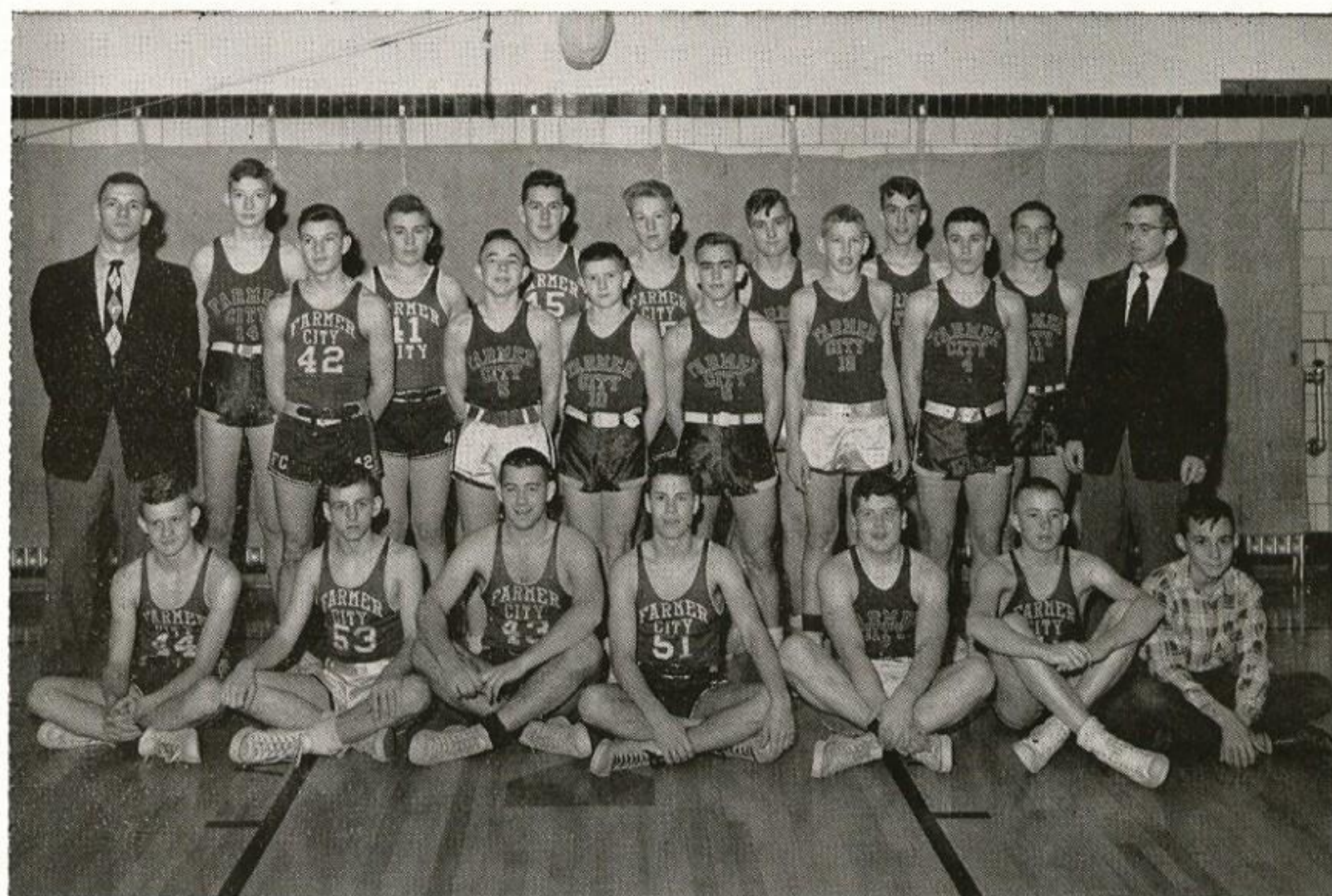
Thus the Farmers ended another season with a 17-9 record. They won the Sangamon Valley Conference Tournament and placed second in the Sangamon Valley Conference season's play.

Junior Varsity

1952-1953 Basketball Schedule

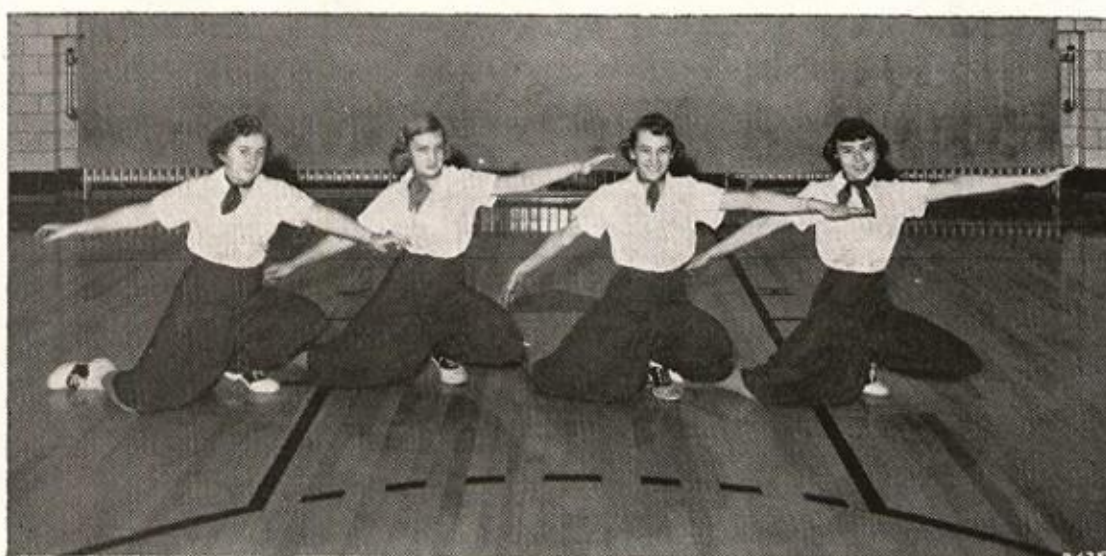
Farmer City - 33	Maroa - - - 34	Farmer City - 37	Bement - - - 46
Farmer City - 31	LeRoy - - - 34	Farmer City - 30	Champaign - 52
Farmer City - 26	Rantoul - - - 43	Farmer City - 32	Unity - - - 62
Sangamon Valley Conference Tourney		Farmer City - 40	Deland-Weldon 44
Farmer City - 45	Fisher - - - 55	Farmer City - 56	Gibson City - 41
Farmer City - 50	Deland-Weldon 48	Farmer City - 35	Fisher - - - 44
Farmer City - 45	Octavia - - 51	Farmer City - 57	Saybrook - - 38
Farmer City - 44	Argenta - - 47	Farmer City - 34	Mansfield - - 47
Farmer City - 38	Fisher - - - 50	Farmer City - 47	Mahomet - - 46
Farmer City - 34	Mahomet - - 35	Farmer City - 43	Trinity - - - 58
Farmer City - 48	Mansfield - - 33	Farmer City - 43	LeRoy - - - 51

First row: Dick Hedges, Phil Rous, Phillip King, David Elmore, David Lewis, Tom Tobin, Don Corder.
 Second row: Coach Slack, Don Marvin, Donald Merrifield, Skip Stagen, Tom Bealor, Frank Williams, John West, Mr. Leo Bray.
 Third row: Tony Cadle, Kent Durbin, Delmar Thom, Larry Gee, Jim Anderson, John Thurber, Dick Reynolds.





First row: Alan Oleson, Steve McCord, Eddie Walsh, Steve Barnett, Kenneth Spurling, Curtis Rau, Melvin Reynolds, Bill Hammer, Jimmie Borton.
 Second row: Mr. Boyle, Leslie Simpson, Steve Wheeler, Curtis Maxwell, Joe Walsh, Lee Stevens, Jimmie Wright, David Ashworth, LeRoy Ester.
 Third row: Buddy Hooser, Merle Clark, Frank Fogal, Bernard Brooks, Bill Walden.



Jr. High School Cheerleaders

Left to right: Deanna Durbin, Myrna Flanagan, Anne Frederickson, Carolyn Curtis.

JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Farmer City	-	-	42	Bellflower	-	-	14
			29	Thornburn	-	-	47
			34	Mansfield	-	-	30
			39	Saybrook	-	-	59
			36	LeRoy	-	-	8
			26	Saybrook	-	-	45
			34	Bellflower	-	-	22
			15	Thornburn	-	-	18
			32	LeRoy	-	-	13
			26	Clinton	-	-	18
			40	Clinton	-	-	26
			28	Mahomet	-	-	22
			43	Gibson City	-	-	24
			31	Melvin-Sibley	-	-	23

LIGHTWEIGHTS

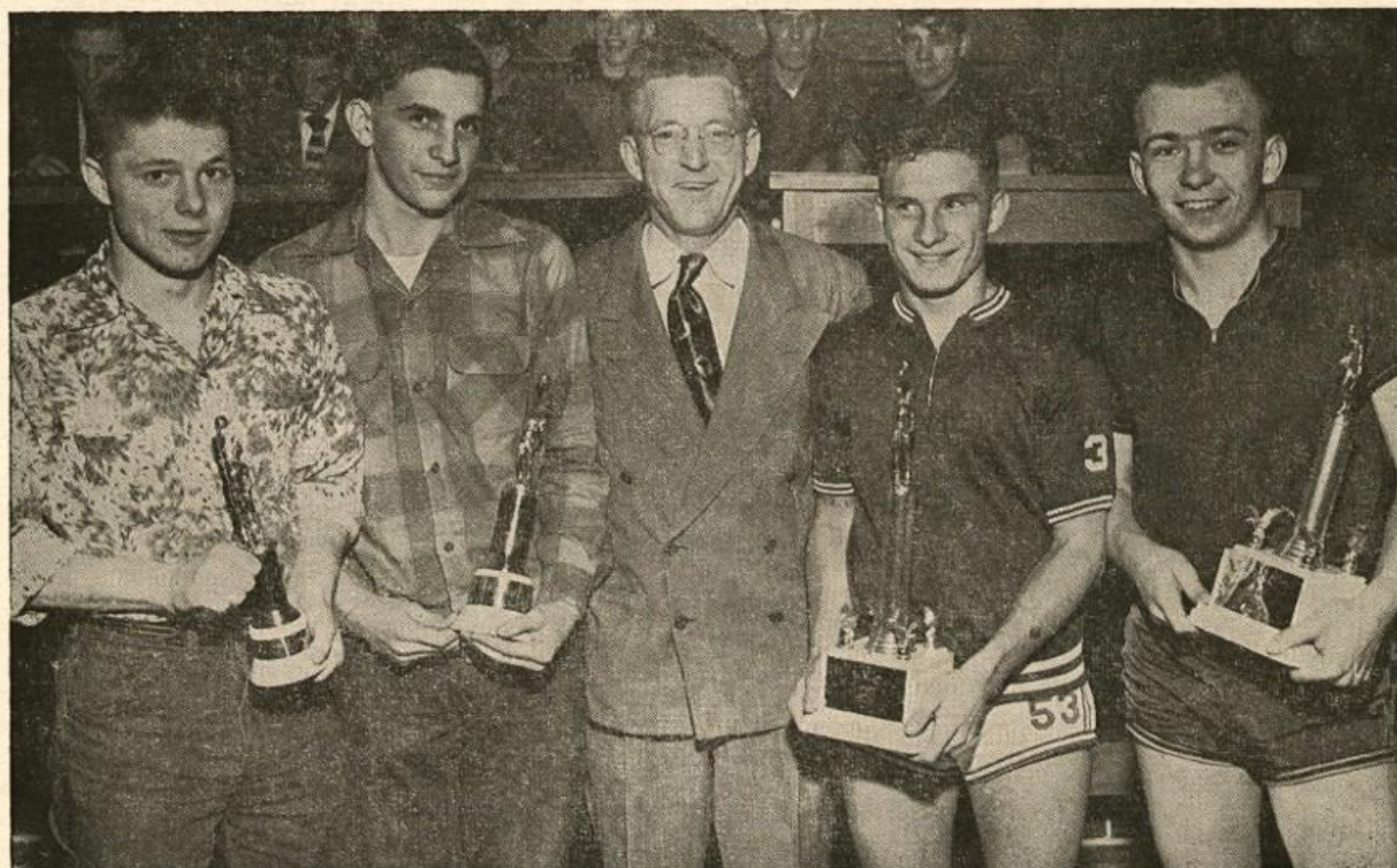
Farmer City	-	-	20	Bellflower	-	-	30
			16	Thornburn	-	-	68
			10	Mansfield	-	-	23
			16	Saybrook	-	-	62
			16	LeRoy	-	-	38
			23	Saybrook	-	-	41
			17	Bellflower	-	-	20
			9	Thornburn	-	-	55
			19	LeRoy	-	-	36
			26	Clinton	-	-	49
			22	Clinton	-	-	31
			37	Milford	-	-	21
			15	Saybrook	-	-	43

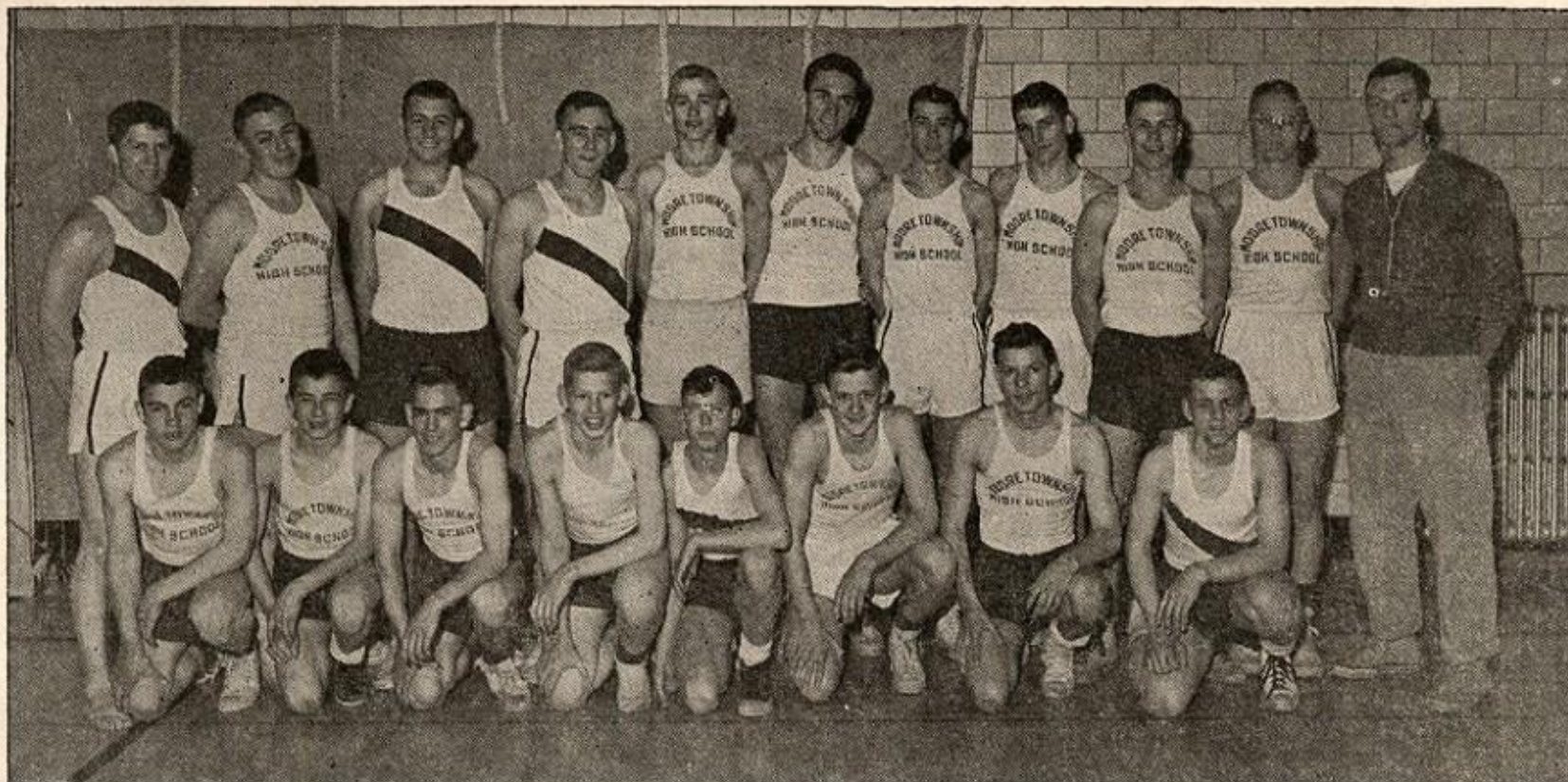
Heavyweight Sectional Champs

Farmer City - 35 Saybrook - 32

Heavyweight State Tournament

Farmer City - 33 South Jacksonville - 36





Track

Farmer City—26½ Heyworth—119½ LeRoy—16

Farmer City took second in their first meet of the year. Don Marvin took first in the pole vault and second in the high jump. Terry Rockhold got first in the high jump with 5'5". Don Goodall took second in the 880.

Fisher—77 Farmer City—43 Mahomet—38

Terry Rockhold led the Farmers with a first in the 100 yard dash and a second in the 220. Goodall took first in the 880. Phil King took second in the discus and Wayne Williams got second in the 440.

Farmer City—76½ Deland-Weldon—39½

Wayne Williams and Don Marvin paced the Farmers to a big victory over the Deland-Weldon track team. Williams took two firsts, one in the 110 yard high hurdles and the other in the 440. Marvin took a first in the low hurdles, the high jump, and in the pole vault. Rockhold took first in the 100 yard dash and second in the 220. Goodall again took first in the 880 and Oakley got second in the mile. Bealor got first in the shot and second in the discus. King took first in the discus.

Farmer City—57 Mansfield—56

Terry Rockhold took three firsts as the Farmers squeezed out a one point victory over Mansfield. He took firsts in the 100 yard dash, the 220 and the high jump. Oakley got second in the 110 high hurdles. Lou James took second in the 440. Goodall took first in the 880. Marvin took first in the pole vault with 9'8". King took first in the discus with a toss of 95'10". LeRoy Borton took second in the broad jump, Hedges first. Farmer City won the varsity relay.

Clinton—79½ Farmer City—40 Mansfield—27½

Rockhold again led the Farmers in their battle against Clinton and Mansfield. He took first in the 100 yard dash and in the high jump, and second in the 220. Williams took second in the 440. Goodall ran away with the 880 with his best time: 2:12. Taylor took first in the shot with 40'11".

Octavia—80½ Farmer City—40 Mahomet—19½

Rockhold took first in the 100 yard dash with a time of 10:6. He took first in the high jump and second in the 220. Williams took first in the 440. Goodall got first in the 880. Taylor took second in the shot put. Hedges took first in the high jump. Farmer City also won the varsity relay.

Gibson City—89½ Farmer City—41¾ LeRoy—15¼

"Ace" Williams took first in the high hurdles and the low hurdles and second in the 440. Goodall took first in the 880. Rockhold got second in the 220 and the high jump. Hedges took second in the pole vault and Taylor took second in the shot put.

Sangamon Valley Conference

Farmer City 38-5/6 Fisher 65 Mansfield 15 Mahomet 11-1/6 LeRoy 11 Deland-Weldon 12

The Farmers took second in the Sangamon Valley Conference meet. Rockhold took first in the 100 yard dash, first in the 220 and second in the high jump. Goodall took first in the 880. The Farmers took second in the Varsity Relay.

Cheerleaders

The cheerleaders were very active this year. They led cheers at all the football and basketball games. They sponsored several pep assemblies and were in charge of the pep rally and snake dance before the Homecoming game. The varsity team captain was Malinda Murphey and the reserve team captain was Sylvia Savage.



Fresh-Soph Cheerleaders

Left to right:
Mary Jean Smith, Ruth
Ann McIntyre, Linda
Stagen, Sylvia Savage,
Irma Baumgardner.

Varsity Cheerleaders

Left to right:
Malinda Murphey, Joan
Leemon, Mary Kathryn
Seifert, Roberta Jones.



Twirlers

The twirlers have many activities. The majorette, Dorene Clark, and the three twirlers led the band for parades and football games. These girls helped to make the marching band a very fine organization.

The three twirlers were featured at several basketball games. They were very well liked and the fans always looked forward to their halftime performances. The majorette and twirlers did a very fine job during the year 1952-1953.



Basketball

Twirlers

Left to right:
Nancy Simpson, Jessie
Mae Warren, Roberta
Jones.

Football

Twirlers

Left to right:
Roberta Jones, Nancy
Simpson, Jessie Mae
Warren, Dorene Clark.



Evening

In

Paris

Stunt Show

The annual Stunt Show, presented by the Junior Class, was held on November 14, 1952. Each class presented stunts written and directed by the class members. The Seniors captured first place. Maurice Bogard of University of Illinois and Glen Schourmaun of Illinois State Normal University were the judges.

First place honors went to the Senior Class for their stunt "Cinema Cyclone." This stunt was the dramatization of a producer and his many problems during the filming of a movie. Bob Baumgardner played the producer, Pedro Miller was the French actor and Wilma Scarbrough portrayed the dumb American blond.

The Freshmen took second place with "Diaries Tell No Lies." A mother was revealing incidents from her high school diary to her two daughters in this stunt. Beverly Cadle was the mother and her daughters were Frances Wheeler and Jane Reynolds. Dixie Owens was the fairy.

"Acid and Old Net" was the Junior stunt. It was a pantomime. Mr. Blackheart made a trip to see the poor Widow Scrimp and her children; Thin, Ragged and Hungry, to collect the mortgage. Joan Leemon was narrator, Darrel LaMonte portrayed Mr. Blackheart and Jessie Mae Warren was the poor Widow Scrimp.

The Sophomores presented "Quack, Quack!" Dr. Paine and Dr. Slycem were two quack doctors hunted by the police. Their assistant turned out to be a private detective. Delmar Thom and Phil King were the quack doctors.

The highlight of the evening was the coronation, when Leland Junkert and Annette Price were crowned King and Queen by Ronald Vance and Ranella Franklin. Bob Norman and his orchestra supplied the music for the coronation and dance.

1952 STUNT SHOW ROYALTY

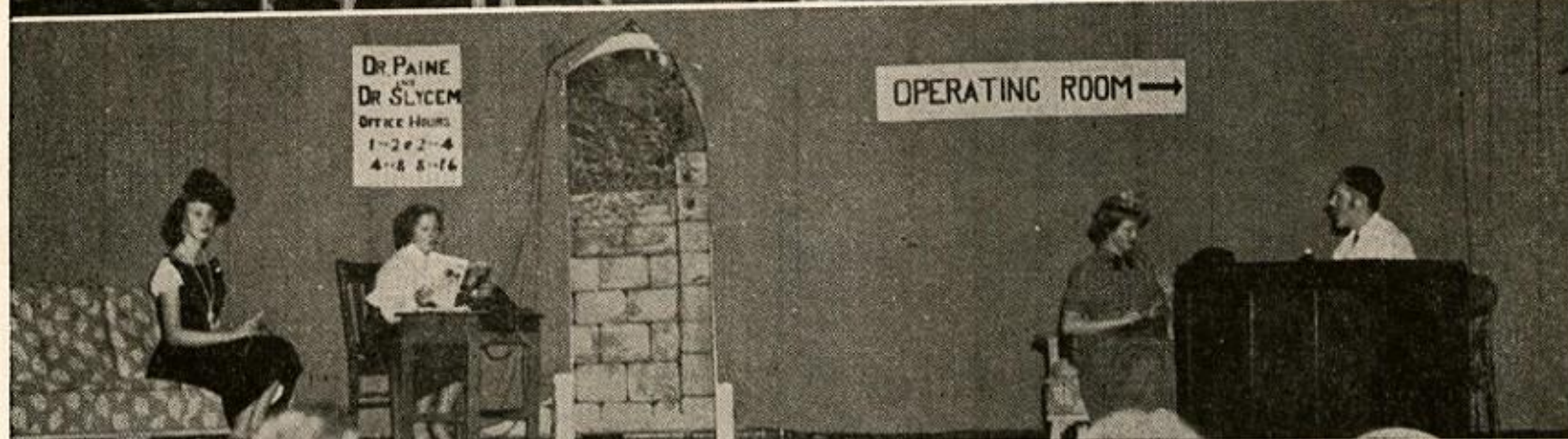
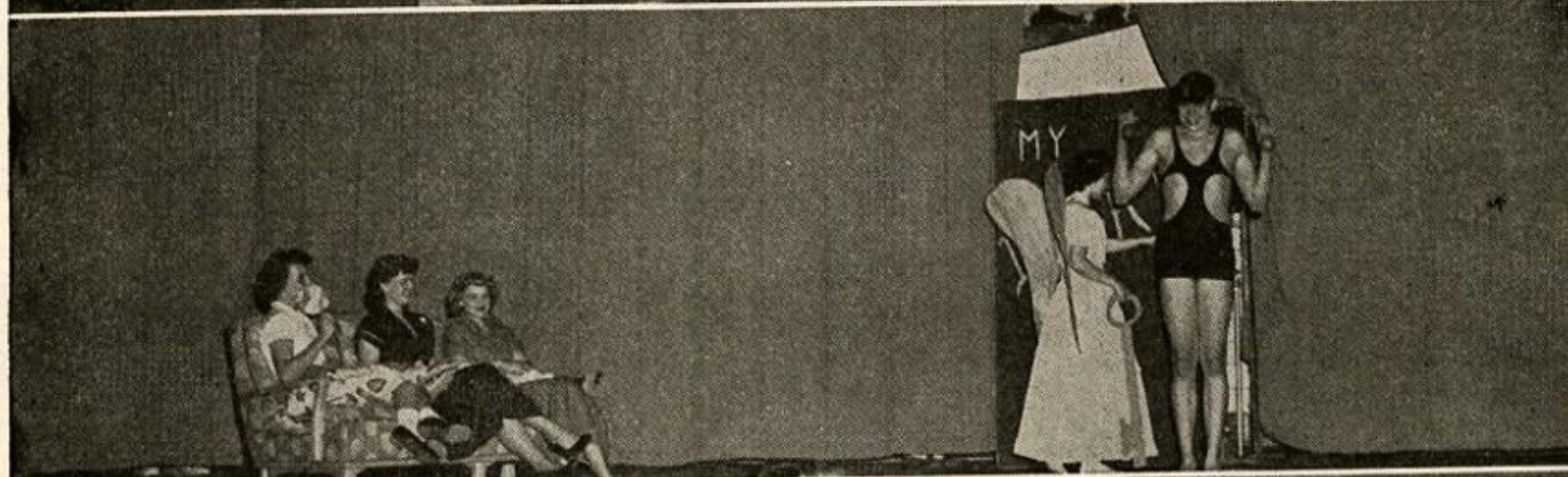
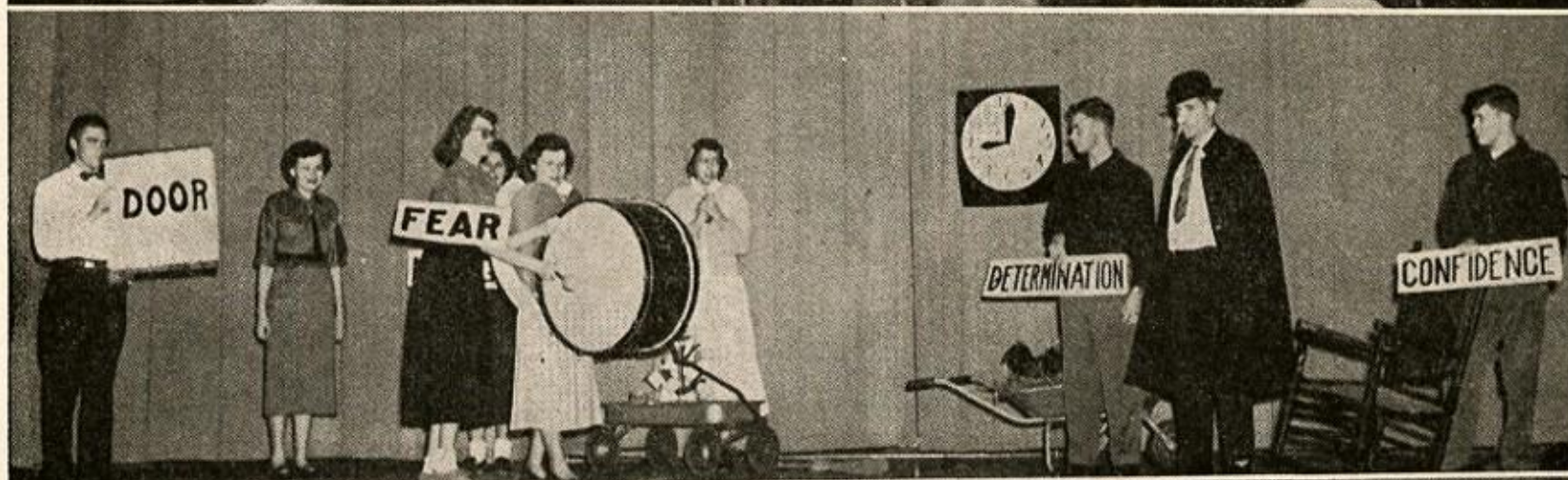
KING
LELAND JUNKERT

QUEEN
ANNETTE PRICE

Mr. Senior	-	-	-	-	-	Charles Ruch
Miss Senior	-	-	-	-	-	Pat Wheeler
Mr. Junior	-	-	-	-	-	Don Taylor
Miss Junior	-	-	-	-	-	Joan Leemon
Mr. Sophomore	-	-	-	-	-	Larry Gee
Miss Sophomore	-	-	-	-	-	Sylvia Savage
Mr. Freshman	-	-	-	-	-	Dick Reynolds
Miss Freshman	-	-	-	-	-	Frances Wheeler



Stunt Show



Homecoming

Moore High School celebrated the annual Homecoming on October 3. The Homecoming activities began on Thursday night with a pep rally and snake dance on Main Street.

Friday afternoon was the parade led by the high school band, and highlighted by eight colorful floats. Decorated bicycles added a final touch to the parade. The prize winning float was "Try to Worm Out of This, Heyworth." The eighth grade won \$12 for this float. Taking second place of \$8 was the Junior class with the float theme "We're Expecting a Victory." A large white stork was the center of attraction on this float. Third place of \$5 went to the Sophomore float, "We'll Upset the Hornet's Nest." "We'll Exterminate the Hornets" was the G.A.A. float which won fourth place and \$3. Fifth place of \$2 was won by the Freshmen with "We'll Win In a Big Weigh." The prizes for the best decorated bicycles went to Madeline McCord, Raymond White and David Ashworth.

Money for the prizes was donated by the Farmer City Boosters' Association. Mrs. George Dunn, Mrs. Lloyd Lent and Tom McConkey were the judges. The plans for the Homecoming were made by the Student Council.

Following the football game was a program and dance in the gym. The program and dance was sponsored by the Senior Class. A play "Oh, Say, Can You Sing!" directed by L. E. Connolly added to the success of Homecoming. Characters in the play were Annette Price, Malinda Murphey, Wilma Scarbrough, Pat Wheeler, Mike Price and Lonnie Bealor. The float awards were given to the winners by Annette Price and the Girls' Sextet sang. Wilma Gibson was the Mistress of Ceremonies.

The gaiety and success of Homecoming was sparked by a 20-12 victory over the Heyworth football team.



Senior Play — "Charley's Aunt"

The class of 1953 presented "Charley's Aunt" as their senior play on April 15.

It was the story of Jack Chesney, who was very much in love with Kitty Verdun, and Charley, who loved Miss Spettigue. The boys invited the young ladies to their room for luncheon in order to meet Charley's wealthy aunt from Brazil. The millionaire aunt sent word that she would have to delay her visit for a few days. The news greatly upset the boys, for they were afraid the girls would not come unless the aunt could also come. The boys solved the problem by getting Lord Fancourt Babberley to dress up as the aunt and attend their luncheon. The real aunt shows up on time and after much excitement and confusion all turns out well.

Stephen Spettigue was played by Myron Price; Sir Francis Chesney was Louie James; Lonnie Bealor played the part of Jack Chesney; Paul Belyea was Charley Wykeham; Jerry Hieronymus played Brassett, the butler; Ela Delahay was portrayed by Melva Smith; Kitty was Wilma Scarbrough; Malinda Murphey played Amy Spettigue; Lord Fancourt Babberley was played by Bob Baumgardner; and Donna Lucia d'Alvadorez (Charley's aunt) was portrayed by Laura Rittenhouse.

The play was under the direction of Mr. Connolly. Its comedy and mystery made it a very enjoyable play.



Prom

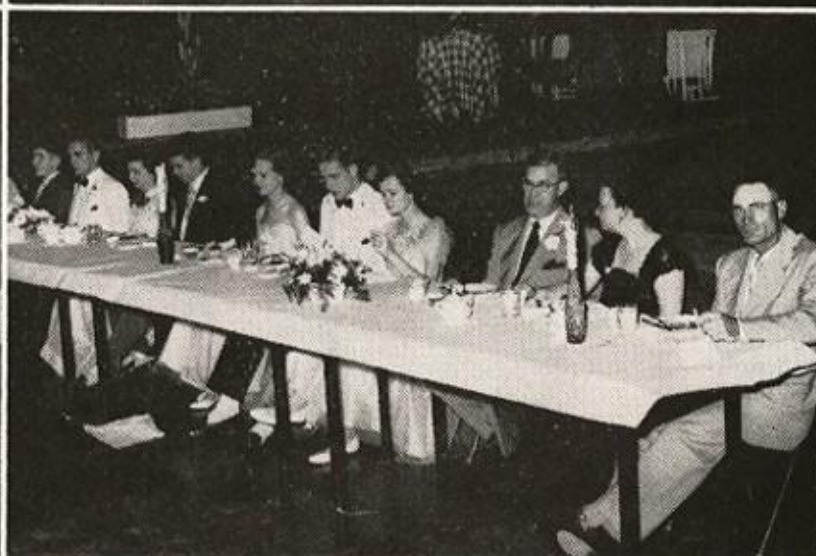
"An Evening In Paris" was the beautiful prom presented by the Juniors for the Senior Class of 1952 on May 16. The romantic theme was carried out very cleverly. A silhouette of an Eiffel Tower with tiny stars and blue lights made a beautiful backdrop for the stage. French style tables and chairs with red checkered tablecloths, and covered with big red and white umbrellas were on each side of the stage.

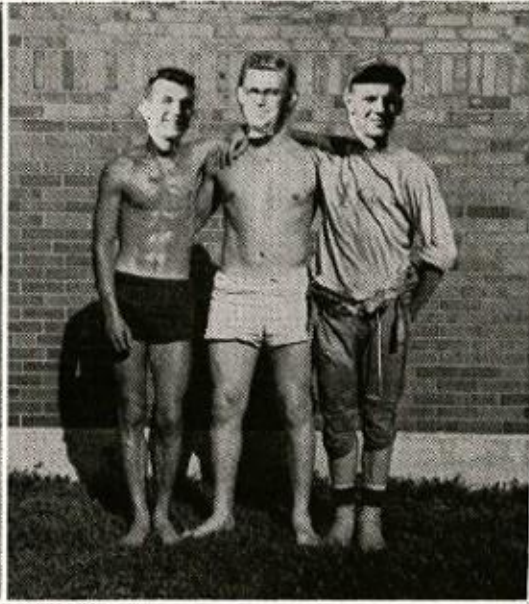
A huge silhouette of three musicians was behind the orchestra. Red lights made it very striking. A sidewalk cafe made a beautiful site for the punch to be served. It was covered with a red and white polka-dot canopy. Here we found more French tables featured with large red and white umbrellas.

The Junior-Senior Banquet preceded the dance. Miss Frances Wood served as toastmistress. The welcome was given by the Junior class vice-president, Myron Price, and Dick Hooser, Senior class vice-president, gave the response. Mr. Smith gave an interesting talk in which he told about his high school prom. Raymond Wells, Senior class President, presented the hatchet to the Junior class president, Paul Belyea.

The servers were Nancy Simpson, Sally Pierce, Joan Leemon, Arvilla Dawson, Jean Price, Carolyn Hieronymus, Jessie Mae Warren, Don Judd, Robert Reynolds, Dick Oakley, Don Taylor, Jerry Rau, John Thomas and Don Goodall. The boys wore white aprons and chef's caps. The girls wore berets and colored aprons with tiny Eiffel towers on them.

The evening was made complete with the lovely music of Tod Howard and his orchestra.







JANITORS

Left to right:

John Jones, Dennis Blankenship,
Wilson Tibbs.

We wish to thank these men for the wonderful job they have done keeping our school a clean place to work and play in. It was to these three men that we took things that needed to be fixed and they were always more than willing to repair them. Once again we say "Thank You!"

BUS DRIVERS

"Rain, snow or sunshine, we'll always be there." That's the motto for our bus drivers. They always made it and without them many of us would never have made it to Moore High School. We give them our greatest thanks for those little rides before and after school each day.

Left to right: Lloyd Nicholas, Marvin Schmitz, Horatio Riggs, Harold Wheeler, Henry DeVault, Ed Cooke, Mervin Gardner. Not pictured: Wilson Tibbs.



Cafeteria



Left to right: Mrs. Clyde Vance, Mrs. Robert Hieronymus, Mrs. Maude Coleman, Mrs. Wesley Williams, Mrs. Carlos Seifert.

We wish to thank these ladies for the many fine lunches they have served to us during our school days.

Waiters and Waitresses

First row: Irma Baumgardner, Joyce Stiger.

Second row: Sara Maxwell, Martha Rittenhouse, Agnes Wilson, Maxine Torrence.

Third row: James Lashbrook, Beverly Cadle, Judy Johnson, Judy Dawson, Mary Kathryn Seifert, Doris Shaffer, Pat Wheeler.



We, the class of 1953, dedicate this page in the "Owl" to the memory of Earl Larison, who gave so generously of his time and effort to make our school days a little easier and more pleasant.

Earl was born July 3, 1877, in Silver City, Iowa. He was a member of the Methodist Church. He died at the age of 75, on August 30, 1952, at the Mennonite Hospital. His health had been failing for several months.

Earl gave thirteen years of faithful service as custodian to Moore High School. His familiar face and quiet ways are missed around the halls.

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